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HOME BOARD TO MOVE — The board of directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta voted approval of a recommendation that the mission agency lease this near-completed seven-story building on the fringe of downtown Atlanta. A 10-year lease has been signed, with option to purchase for about \$1.8 million in three years. Executive Secretary Arthur B. Rutledge said the new building will adjoin has been in since 1946. Rutledge said need the eight-story downtown location, which the aged about 40,000 sq. ft. of office space, compared to for the move was due to a fast-expanding staff, which has grown from 40 to 78 since 1960. The new site, which will be ready for occupancy this summer, also has parking space for 185 cars.

Carey Campaign Now Totals \$305,920

The William Carey College campaign to raise \$500,000 has now reached a total of \$305,920. The campaign effort to build and equip a new science hall now has only \$195,000 to go for complete success.

New commitments were reported at a special meeting last week. These announcements were made by the Advanced Gifts Division chairman, Clarence Davis, and the Special Gifts Division chairman, Joe F. Tatum.

Other reports were made by team captains, Douglass Vardaman and J. F. McFatter. The \$305,920 total represents only a relatively few commitments and gifts according to campaign leaders.

In all, 53 gifts and pledges, in addition to the faculty and staff, have been reported.

"If we can hold to this high level of participation and commitment, we will surely reach our goal of \$500,000," Lewis Fowler, campaign general chairman, said in announcing the new total.

Another report session of the Advanced Gifts Committee will be held soon. The campaign is scheduled to be concluded on March 29 with an appreciation dinner for all workers and contributors in the Carey dining hall.

"Hattiesburg and Carey College can be successful in the boldest venture they have ever undertaken jointly," President J. Ralph Noonkester told those meeting for the report session.

"We feel sure that decisions will be made in several key situations that will insure us success."

The Special Gifts Division will be meeting for another breakfast report soon.

Wm. Carey College at Hattiesburg is one of four institutions of higher learning owned and maintained by the

Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The other three colleges are Blue Mountain College at Blue Mountain, Clarke Memorial College at Newton, and Mississippi College at Clinton.

The convention also owns and maintains two other institutions, the Mississippi Baptist Hospital and the Mississippi Baptist Children's Village.

Both are located in Jackson.

LOTTE MOON FUNDS PASS \$11,000,000

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has received \$11,321,006.56 from the 1967 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (as of March 14), reports Everett L. Deane, treasurer of the Board.

This is \$991,412.16 more than had been received as of approximately the same date last year.

Books on the offering remain open until May 1.

The annual Mississippi Student Leadership Training Conference will be held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly in Pass Christian April 19-21.

Robert Tischer, Mississippi State student and president of the Mississippi Baptist Student Convention, will preside.

Local Baptist Student Union officers from 30 schools and colleges in the state are expected to attend, according to Rev. Ralph B. Winders, Jackson, director of the Department of Student Work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, sponsor.

Principal speakers will be Dr. Tom J. Logue, state Baptist student director of Arkansas, Little Rock; Don Hammonds, associate in Department of Special Ministries of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta; Dr. Malcolm Tolbert, Professor of New Testament Interpretation, New Orleans Baptist Seminary, and Dr. Phil McCarty, professor of religious education, Mississippi College.

Paul Adams, minister of music and youth, First Baptist Church, Starkville, and Frank Horton, BSU director for Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, will be music director.

Conferences will be led by speakers and BSU directors in Mississippi.

Other features will include the election and installation of officers for the State Baptist Student Convention, the commissioning of BSU student summer missionaries, and the finals in the state BSU basketball tournament.



Dr. Tom J. Logue



Frank Horton

Tax Exemption On Literature For Churches Killed By House

If the present action of the Mississippi House of Representatives prevails, Mississippi will remain the only state in the Union requiring churches to pay sales tax on the purchase of their educational materials purchased by the church for free distribution and use in the educational and Bible teaching program of the churches, according to Dr. J. Clark Hensley, executive director of the Christian Action Commission.

Continuing, Dr. Hensley said:

"One other state (North Carolina) collects such tax but allows churches to be re-

bated upon request. It is this sales tax of literature of the churches by the State of Mississippi that prompted the resolution at the 1967 Mississippi Baptist Convention.

"Representative Ralph Herrin of Collins first submitted a bill to exempt such literature taxation but it died in the committee. When the sales tax bill came to the floor, Representative Herrin submitted an amendment to the effect of exempting tax 'on the cost or value of all religious literature and materials purchased by churches or synagogues to be used by such institutions in the teaching,

training, or educational ministry."

"This was opposed by Representative Deaton and Moss who were handling the bill for the ways and means committee. (This is the committee to which the Herrin bill had been referred.)

"Representative Deaton named several states reported to be collecting sales tax on church literature. However, the list he was reading reflected sales tax on churches without mentioning that this tax is not levied on church literature such as the Herrin amendment was seeking to exempt.

"On voice vote, the Herrin amendment was defeated. Later in the session, Representative Lester made two attempts to reword an amendment but was ruled out of order by the Chair."

The action by the 1967 State Convention to refer the Lebanon Association Resolution to the Convention Board and the Christian Action Commission has been implemented by the business advisory committee of the executive committee of the Convention Board and a sub-committee of the Christian Action Commission.

Members composing this joint committee are Glenn Perry, Philadelphia; Dr. John McCall, Vicksburg; Dr. Bob Simmons, Meridian; Rev. James B. Riley, Magnolia; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Dr. W. D. Hudgins, Jackson; A. L. Nelson, ex-officio; Rev. Eldie F. Hicks, Waynesboro; Rev. James Walker, Florida; D. B. Courtney, Florence; W. B. Rives, Jackson, Dr. J.

Heart Disease Claims Fewer Lives In 1967

Heart diseases claimed fewer lives in 1967 but continued to lead as the number one killer of Southern Baptist ministers and denominational employees.

According to statistics released by the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, 57 percent of the deaths of members enrolled in the Protection Program resulted from heart disease. This percentage was down from the 67 per cent recorded in 1967 and was only one per cent more than the previous low recorded in 1963.

Heart disease has been the chief killer of ministers each year since 1959, when the Board started recording such statistics. It has always accounted for more than 50 per cent of the deaths.

NASHVILLE (BP)—An executive of the Southern Baptist Convention proposed in a speech here that Southern Baptists explore the possibility of establishing a computer center with a network of consoles in every state convention and every SBC agency.

Albert McClellan, program planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee here, made the suggestion during one of three presentations to the SBC Inter-Agency Council on the use of computers in society to aid and Southern Baptist life.

McClellan specifically proposed that a study group from the Inter-Agency Council Administrative Committee join with a group of state convention executives "to explore over a long period of time computer possibilities."

Almost immediately after his speech, a motion was made and passed unanimously by the Inter-Agency Council of the SBC asking its chairman, Merrill D. Moore, to appoint such a committee, and its administrative committee to set forth its duties and functions.

McClellan made it clear in his speech that he was not saying that such a Baptist computer center with console units at every SBC agency and state convention should be established, but rather that the possibility should be studied.

"This is not a problem that can be faced in an afternoon of empty-headed brainstorming," he said.

The idea, he added, might sound far-fetched, "but there was a day when a telephone in every office was far-fetched," he added.

Earlier during the entire morning devoted to computer studies, a representative of Honeywell Corp., Kenneth Inman, showed films depicting creative uses of computers by industries, and a Baptist news editor, Jim Newton of Nashville, presented a report on what Southern Baptists are now doing in computer applications.

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There are only six agencies of the convention that are now using computers, Newton said, and most of these are only for accounting functions and subscription fulfillment. Thirteen agencies are not us-

"Southern Baptist agencies seem to be at least five years, and perhaps in some cases as much as 10 years behind business and industry in computer usage," said Newton, assistant director of the Baptist Press, news service of the SBC.

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NOTABLE QUOTES

From The

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Dr. Jess Moody

People don't go where the action is, they go where love is.

But if the love be a many-splintered thing, they will avoid it like the plague, no matter how evangelistic we may be.

The people will go to the more magnetic centers of spirituality. Labels mean little these days.

It is not the community's obligation to protect and support the church; it is the church's obligation to protect and support the community.

It is the church's obligation to be something Great Big for God and nobody owes it any allegiance if it is not.

The Holy Spirit never gathers to a denomination. He never gathers to an ordinance. He never gathers to a doctrine. He never gathers to a ritual. The Holy Spirit of God always gathers to the Person of Christ.

Ellis B. Evans

Mississippi ranks ninth in the United States in the number of church buildings being planned and built.

Four hundred churches in Mississippi have either been planned or built during the past twelve months.

Southern Baptist churches are now looking forward to a new grouping-grading system that is being projected for the period beginning in 1970.

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642 ATTEND STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION IN MERIDIAN MARCH 18-20

Six hundred forty-two Sunday school leaders and members from every section of the state attended the State Sunday School Convention held March 18-20 at First Church in Meridian. In photo at left Dr. Beverly Tinnin, host pastor, greets several leaders, from left: Dr. Tinnin; Mrs.

Martha Branham, soloist; Bryant Cummings, director, and Mrs. Betty Jean Chatham, Louisville, Ky., accompanist. Next picture shows Dr. Jess Moody, pastor First Church, West Palm Beach, Fla., speaking. Next photo shows Rev. Dan McBride, associate pastor, First Church, Wilmer,

Texas, entertaining at banquet attended by 212 persons. Picture on right end shows Dr. Myron Madden, chaplain at New Orleans Baptist Hospital, leading conference attended by several score pastors from every section of the state.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

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ents and taxpayers here have threatened to flood the public schools with pupils from St. Ann Catholic School in an effort to dramatize their request for public tax funds to pay salaries at the parochial school.

The group of five St. Ann parishioners believe they have sufficient following to close down the school for a period of two weeks while its pupils attend classes in schools of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District.

Leading the campaign is David Cartwright who last year withdrew his son, Terrence, from the St. Ann School for a week in an unsuccessful effort to get the school district to pay his son \$620 — the amount spent by the public school district annually on each of its pupils.

New Aucas Contacted Peacefully

SHELL MERA, Ecuador (EP)—A dozen years after five missionary men lost their lives contacting the first group of fierce Aucas Indians in Ecuador, another bucket drop and messages by a converted Aucas from the air has brought about a friendly meeting of down-river Aucas formerly unapproachable.

Don Smith, experienced pilot with Wycliffe Bible Translators' Jungle Aviation and Radio Service (JAARS), and Marion Krekler, long-time engineer of Ecuador's missionary radio station HCJB, perfected an air-borne amplifier and wing-mounted loudspeaker. Oncaye, a teen-age Aucas girl who less than four years ago escaped from the savage group, helped test the equipment on flights over "down-river" houses. Repeatedly the naked Aucas fled the voice in the sky.

Primitive Aucas, knowing nothing of airplanes, believed that the passengers were ghosts of those they or others had killed.

Rape Linked With Sex Books

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP)—Pornography, in all its forms, is one major cause of sex crimes, sexual aberrations and perversions, says J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, writing in the current issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin.

"Sexual violence is increasing at an alarming pace," says Mr. Hoover. "Many parents are deeply concerned about conditions which involve young boys and girls in sex parties and illicit relations."

"While there is no official yardstick with which to measure accurately the reasons for increases in any criminal violation, we must face reality."

Wallace Johnson Heads Bible Week

NEW YORK (RNS) — The president of one of America's large motel chains has been named chairman of the 1968 National Bible Week, which will be held this year on Oct. 20 to 27. Announcement of the appointment of Wallace E. Johnson, president of the Holiday Inns of America, Inc., was made by Kenneth S. Ginger, head of the Layman's National Committee. The committee is a non-profit, interreligious cooperation which has sponsored Bible Week annually since 1941.

Again this year, National Bible Week will be co-sponsored by the American Bible Society in conjunction with its Worldwide Bible Reading program. Last year, when this combined effort was conducted for the first time, an estimated 40 million persons throughout the world participated.

Gallup Says Crime No. 2 Problem

PRINCETON, N. J. (RNS)—But for the Vietnam war, the most important problem facing the U.S. today is crime and lawlessness, according to the most recent Gallup Poll.

The Poll noted that for the first time crime and lawlessness were so viewed by the public since the beginning of scientific polling in the 1930's.

On the local level, crime and lawlessness were mentioned nearly twice as often as any other problem. The lack of religion, or ethics, was ranked 13th among the most important local problems.

New School Sex Courses Hit

MIAMI, Fla. (RNS)—A Christian educator has predicted that a boon in enrollment, for religiously-oriented private schools will result when courses on sex soon are introduced into nearly all public schools.

This forecast was made by the director of the National Association of Christian Schools. He said parental objection will not be to the subject matter, but to the way it is handled in the textbooks which are being adopted for use.

High Court To Review Arkansas Law

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to review arguments that Arkansas law against teaching the Darwin and other theories of evolution is unconstitutional.

The state's Initiated Act No. 1 of 1928 forbids the teaching the "doctrine of ascent or descent of man from a lower order of animals." Only other state having such a statute is neighboring Mississippi.

On June 16, 1966, a chancery court in Pulaski County (Little Rock) held that the ban against teaching evolution as a theory does violate constitutional guarantees of freedom of speech, expression, learning, thought and right to teach.

Baccalaureate Services 'Illegal'

ST. PAUL, Minn. (EP)—Minnesota Attorney General Douglas Head has ruled that baccalaureate services sponsored by public high schools are unconstitutional and that public funds cannot be used to finance them.

However, he said, privately-sponsored baccalaureates may be held in public schools without violating state or federal constitutions if certain conditions are met.

The 30-page opinion, answering questions posed by the Rochester, Minn., School Board, does not have the force of law. But it is expected to precipitate major changes in the conduct of baccalaureate services which, according to a 1966 survey, are held in 82 per cent of Minnesota high schools.

Editor Says Baptists Have Option

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Should Baptists abandon their many homes for the elderly and for children and let the government take over? Or should they "release" their institutions of higher learning so they can be better provided for?

These are questions raised in part by the editor of The Baptist, Dr. James O. Duncan, in the magazine's current issue.

He said the financial situation of Baptist conventions in caring for their traditional programs is reaching crisis proportions and something will have to be done or inferior products will result.

Peale Calls For More Discipline

NEW YORK (EP) — In a call for authorities to "get tough in a constructive but firm manner," Dr. Norman Vincent Peale has criticized Dr. Benjamin Speck for being "out in the mobs leading the permissive babies raised on his undisciplined teaching."

In a sermon at the Marble Collegiate church here, Dr. Peale warned that if more discipline is not exercised by the authorities, "previous riots will seem like a Sunday school picnic compared to the real and vicious rebellion this country will have on its hands."



Thirty-three student nurses from Gilroy School of Nursing at Baptist Hospital in Jackson made a visit to New Orleans Baptist Seminary via bus last week, under direction of Miss Kathryn Bearden, BSU director. Churches participating in defraying cost of trip, along with hospital, are Parkway, First and Calvary in Jackson.

Computer Study Is Proposed

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ing computers in any way, the report indicated.

Of a total of 23 Baptist state conventions and 23 Baptist state papers replying to a survey, seven conventions and four weekly papers are using computers for accounting and subscription list maintenance, the report indicated.

State conventions using computers for accounting functions include Georgia, Texas, Oklahoma, Mississippi,

Maryland, California, and Hawaii; while state papers using computers include Texas, Oklahoma, Florida and Illinois.

Newton concluded on the basis of his study that there already is some overlapping at SBC agencies using computers, that there needs to be more correlation among agencies using computers, that there is a general lack of knowledge concerning capabilities of the computer, that some Baptists seem to have a basic fear of the computer, and that professional studies were needed on the feasibility of a computer center, and on what state Baptist hospitals and colleges were doing in computer applications.

Computer Taking Place
"Whether Southern Baptists like it or not, society will more and more be shaped by the computer," Newton concluded. "If we are five to ten years behind already, we'd better begin now trying to catch up, else we will find society shaping Southern Baptists, instead of Christianity shaping society."

McClellan amplified this theme, saying that the computer is reshaping today's society, and that it is the basis of most of the important decisions affecting the world today. "They have reshaped basic human communication and problem-solving processes to give man an entirely new environment," he added. He described in detail what computers were doing in the fields of commerce, industrial management, medicine, transportation, income taxes, national security, dress making, design, printing, inventory, libraries, politics, and education.

"They have become so much a part of the American way of life that if they were to quit working, air traffic would be hopelessly snarled, commerce would come to a halt with banks and stock exchanges buried under mountains of unprocessed paper, automobile factories and steel mills would shut down for months, chemical plants would close and hospitals and department stores would fall into impossible confusion," McClellan said.

As one of many examples citing the fantastic capabilities of computers, McClellan said that "all the calculations it took one year for a group of scientists to accomplish at Los Alamos in 1945, a college undergraduate can do in one afternoon while sharing the computer with 30 other people."

He declared that the Christian must not be blind to the new kind of world the computer is creating, but rather the Christian must help men being shaped by the computer to understand what is happening. "They (Christians) must show the new man the way to find himself."

McClellan listed 13 perplexing problems that the computer forces man to face, including such things as de-

struction of past landmarks, disturbance people face when they have to retrain for two or three careers eliminated by computers, shifts in society, etc.

"Somehow," he observed, "Southern Baptists must come alive to these questions, not merely in the seminaries, but in these halls, and in the halls of the churches. Somehow our pastors must be pulled into the new times with all its computer-bred problems."

Will Kick Back

"We can't kick the computer, for it will kick back. We've got to realize that the computer world is here and get on with our job of spiritual understanding and spiritual leadership."

McClellan maintained that Baptists can better do this job with the help of the computer as a tool.

He cited creative ways Baptists could use the computer in the areas of bookkeeping, statistics, research, pastoral placement, long-range planning, program evaluation, church-related vocations, program planning, long-range forecasting, assistance to churches, compatibility with other denominations' computers, and the computer center idea.

He offered six specific suggestions, after warning against "burying our heads in the sand," against being overwhelmed by the whole prob-

lem, and against "rushing out and buying a computer tomorrow."

His suggestions were to find out what the computer world is all about, confer with computer experts, learn as much as possible, realize the computer will force different ways of working and thinking, realize the computer may call for soul-searching organizations and personnel readjustments, and come to see that a computer doesn't cost, but pays.

He also made three specific proposals to the Inter-Agency Council, not in motion form, but as ideas for action: (1) designate a study group to delve into the Christian's response to the new world of technology and its impact on persons, (2) designate a study group of SBC agency heads and state convention executives to explore computer possibilities and (3) designate a committee of the council to discuss changes "we will have to make as we adopt our programming procedures to computers."

"It is my frank, honest opinion that here is an opportunity for Southern Baptists to become alive to the demands of the new times in taking hold of a problem meaningfully and in depth," he concluded.

On rumor's tongues, continual slander ride.

SBC SEMINARY COLLECTING BOOKS FOR VIET SEMINARY

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)—Students and faculty at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here are donating books to the Saigon Baptist Seminary in Vietnam, a training center for Vietnamese ministers.

The movement at the Southern Baptist seminary here has already more than doubled the number of volumes in the small Vietnam seminary library.

Missionary Sam James of the newly-created Baptist institution in Vietnam said that there was less than 100 books in the library. In only a few weeks, more than 100 additional volumes have been collected by the seminary here.

Attention was called to the Saigon seminary's library needs by Chaplain L. H. Miller (Southern Baptist) serving at Ton-Son Nhut Airbase in Saigon.



FOUR OF THE LEADERS attending the associational evangelism clinic for Madison County held March 16 at First Church in Canton, were, from left: Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, Jackson, director of evangelism; Rev. Johnny L. Taylor, Canton, associational chairman; Rev. Louie F. Smith, pastor Briarwood Drive Church, and Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor Ridgecrest Church, both of Jackson, speakers.

EVANGELISM CLINICS HELD

A series of associational evangelism clinics is being held in the state under sponsorship of the Evangelism Department, Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, director.

About 20 have already been held with many others planned.

Personal witnessing and the Crusade of the Americas have been the major emphases in these clinics.

The clinics are planned specifically for local church leadership, with all church members encouraged to attend, according to Dr. Sansing.

Tax Exemption Bill Killed

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Clark Hensley, ex-officio; and Rev. Rowe Holcomb, Hazlehurst.

At the first meeting of the committee, Dr. Hensley was asked to make a survey of the situation and a depth study.

"The report from this study caused the committee to feel that the action of the Convention should be implemented to seek tax exemption on church literature on the grounds that it is not right to tax a church in its distribution of its own educational materials among its own members when the material has been produced by organizations they own and control," Dr. Hensley said.

In reporting to the committee further, Dr. Hensley said in part, "Nineteen out of 29 states do not collect other sales tax from churches on any item. But most of us would recognize a difference in this type of taxation as compared to tax on our own literature."

"All states exempt property from taxation when it is used for church purposes, including pastors' homes. One state recently made an assessment on a home used by an associational missionary. This is being contested in court."

Dr. Hensley pointed out that the monetary value to either the churches or the State is not the issue but rather the principle involved in this type of taxation. He further stated, "If we press for any tax exemption, we should also encourage the correction of any abuses."

Notable Quotes ---

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The industrial development in Mississippi is bringing a need for more churches and an upgrading of the old church buildings.

Dr. James Williams

Boys and girls tend to become more like those with whom they live than to conform to the standards taught by the church.

We should major on adults because they are growing in numbers.

Today when the average American reaches voting age he has a half hundred years ahead of him. These years constitute our best or worst years.

Adults have such a tremendous influence on society. The tragedy of our times is that there have never been enough mature people in the right places at the right time. It is the business of the New Testament church to put into the world mature men and women who will make the world the kind of world God created it to be.

Ben Goddard

Dies Suddenly Of Heart Attack

Rev. Ben Goddard, for the past six years superintendent of missions for Green and Wayne County associations, died suddenly Feb. 27 as a result of coronary thrombosis.

His death occurred in Cambridge, Kansas, where he had gone to settle the affairs of his father who had passed away several days earlier.

His body was flown back home and funeral services were held in chapel of Strickland-Hayes Funeral Home, Tuscaloosa, Ala., with burial in Gordo, Ala.

His only immediate survivor was his widow, Mrs. Marguerite Goddard.

Ministers officiating at the funeral service were Rev. L. R. Smith of Grand Bay, Ala.; Rev. Maurice Wicker of Route 1, Laurel and Rev. Walker Bynum of Talladega, Ala.

NEW CARTOON CHARACTER TO MAKE DEBUT AT HEMISFAIR

DALLAS (BP) — A kissing cousin to cartoon character Bro. Blotz will be on hand to greet opening day visitors at HemisFair's Baptist pavilion, Saturday, April 6.

The new cousin, still under wraps by his creator, Doug Dillard of Dallas, will be a featured attraction throughout HemisFair's six-month operation.

Dillard's new creation will be made available to Baptists as well as all HemisFair visitors touring the pavilion. Free autographed cartoons, suitable for framing, will be distributed.

Dillard will be joined on opening day ceremonies by the Manor Baptist Church Choir of San Antonio under the direction of Dwayne Blakeley. The choir will sing at 1:45 p. m., preceding a dedication service scheduled at 2 o'clock.

"The Mississippi Senate has not yet dealt with tax measures in this session, but it is anticipated that a bill will be introduced in the Senate for the 'Literature Tax Exemption'."

Dr. Quarles and Dr. Hensley delivered a letter to Governor John Bell Williams outlining the position of the committee and the spirit of the resolution of the Convention.

The opening paragraph stated "We are well aware of the tax needs of our state and are most sympathetic with the Governor and the Legislature on the imperative need of raising more revenue. However, we believe the taxing structure of our state should not violate the principle of religious freedom protected by both the constitution of our state and the constitution of the United States."

Heart Disease ---

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The highest percentage of deaths caused by heart trouble was 70 per cent, recorded in 1964.

Cancer increased its hold on second place, causing 25 per cent of the deaths, as compared to 16 per cent in 1966. Seven per cent of the deaths were caused by accidents. Lung disease claimed another five per cent. Other diseases claiming lives include Leukemia, brain tumor, suicide, obstructed colon, anemia, pancreatitis and emphysema.

Heart trouble was also the major cause of disability. Forty-two per cent of 39 persons who were forced to give up their full-time ministry because of disability had heart trouble.

Other causes of disability were: diabetes, 14 per cent; arthritis, 11 per cent; mental disease, nine per cent; Parkinson's disease and Multiple Sclerosis, seven per cent each; Leukemia and cancer, three per cent each; and blindness and auto accident, two per cent each.

State Man Is

Named VP N. O.

Seminary Board

A. Morgan Brian, local attorney and active churchman, was elected President of the Board of Trustees for the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary at their annual meeting just concluded on the Seminary campus.

Mr. Brian is an active deacon of the First Baptist Church in New Orleans and often speaks to laymen groups across America.

Other officers elected were Dr. D. B. Roark, Yazoo City, Mississippi, Vice President; Cecil M. Girard, New Orleans, Secretary and Edward Wood, New Orleans, Treasurer. Mr. Wood was also re-elected to a full term as a Director of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary Foundation.

In other action, the Board granted a sabbatical leave to Mr. Clifford E. Tucker and approved the construction of three additional faculty homes on campus.

Along the roads in India there are little resting places for travelers. These are called samatanga, meaning "resting place." Here one might rest his weary feet, lay down his burden, and pause awhile to talk with other friendly travelers. After a few moments of rest and encouragement one journeys on his way. It is no wonder that the Indian Christians say, "Christ is my Samatanga." — Arthur House Stainback in ILLUSTRATING THE LESSON (Fleming H. Revell Company)

Tennessee Churches Minister To Servicemen's Families

By Roy Jennings,
Brotherhood Commission,
SBC

MEMPHIS—The parents of the young Viet Nam casualty were clearly ill at ease when they reached the naval base 16 miles north of here where their son was hospitalized.

In a strange city more than 500 miles from home, they were prepared to rent a motel room for a week, eat on the run, and visit their son at each opportunity.

They certainly were not prepared for hospital authorities to tell them First Baptist Church of Millington two miles from the hospital was offering them a rent-free apartment for the length of their stay.

And they weren't ready for the way the church members provided clean linens, fresh fruit, and other thoughtful gestures to make their visit a happier one.

And when the visit was almost completed, the parents found the church didn't insist that they make a public expression of thanks.

Instead, H. A. Hunderup Jr., the pastor, suggested they spend those last moments with their son and he would convey their appreciation for them at prayer meeting.

As the parents left for the final visit with their boy, the mother, a Southern Baptist, told the pastor privately the interest of the Christians had made a profound impression on her non-Christian husband.

"My husband had become disillusioned with Christianity. Now he can't believe this is real," she said.

Providing rooms for persons in need is part of the mission acting ministry of the Millington church, whose membership is 60 per cent military.

With casualties from Viet Nam arriving in increasing numbers, this Baptist group has joined with other religious groups in opening private homes with extra bedrooms to relatives of the injured men.

"We made one announcement about the opportunity and 15 families responded the same day," Hunderup recalled. "The members are very interested in this ministry."

While a Methodist layman originated the idea in this area, a friend who attended First Baptist Church at Millington brought it to the attention of his pastor and the action followed.

Since then, First Baptist Church has supplied mimeographed forms to all participating churches for those who want to take in visitors.

The chaplain and Red Cross workers at the hospital put visitors in touch with families offering rooms.

Red Cross officials say the visits by relatives speed recovery of the patients.

George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, said this ministry and witness exemplified the mission action program suggested for church

Brotherhood and WMU groups. He said mission action group guides have been prepared for seven kinds of ministries.

Closely related to this mission action ministry is a service the Millington church provides families of servicemen who visit worship services.

The visitor's card includes space for the name of the person the visitor would like the church to notify about his visit.

Many parents answer the pastor's letter, often reporting it's the first time they have heard from their sons, even indirectly, for several months.

MC Enrollment Up For Semester

Enrollment at Mississippi College showed another increase this semester, pushing the total enrollment for the regular session to almost 2,500 students.

According to figures released by Registrar Troy Mohon, 2,444 individual students were registered at the college during the two-semester period, an increase of 79 over last year.

Mohon said that 342 new students registered for classes the second semester giving the college an increase in population over the first semester. He indicated this was most encouraging as past years have found the enrollment decreasing during second semester. His figures showed 2,102 students in school first semester as compared to 2,112 the second semester.

The 2,112 figure is exactly 100 more than the 2,012 recorded during the same period last school year. Of the 342 new students who registered second semester, 193 were members of the undergraduate classes, 106 in the graduate school, and 43 were classified as special students.

The graduate school had 435 registrants during the two semesters, a marked increase over the previous year. In the graduate school were 244 males and 191 females. Special students numbered 122.

Van D. Quick, director of admissions at the college, said that enrollment overlook for the fall of 1968 is most encouraging. As of March 15, applications for fall admission were 13 percent ahead of the corresponding time last year, while requests for admission to the upcoming summer school session were 93 percent ahead of last year.

to the ministry shortly thereafter. He was president of the board of directors of his alma mater from 1929 to 1934.

He traveled extensively throughout the West, preaching in logging villages and mining camps. He early saw in radio a potential for evangelizing remote areas scarcely accessible to pastors and evangelists.

As the number of radio sets increased, so did the popularity and coverage of Charles Fuller's pioneer gospel broadcast. By 1930 he had added KFI and KNX Los Angeles. In 1935 he began teaching the International Sunday School Lesson on KGER each Saturday night. In 1937 the Old Fashioned Revival Hour was launched on a 65-station Mutual Network coast to coast.

From 1941 to 1957 the Old Fashioned Revival Hour was broadcast nationwide from the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium where thousands gathered each Sunday afternoon to see, as well as hear, the famed musicians and the noted speaker and his wife, who read letters from listeners. Noted in the audience each week were many servicemen enroute to the battlefields of World War II, and later of the Korean conflict.

While broadcasting the gospel weekly by radio, Charles Fuller and members of his team also held evangelistic meetings in key cities of North America. In 1950 the broadcast was televised for a brief period as the "Old Fashioned Meeting."

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Fuller Evangelistic Foundation to be used in evangelistic work.



A Church Music Workshop was held at Mississippi College March 18-20, with Dr. Harry Robert Wilson, chairman emeritus Music Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, as guest musician. Several attending were, from left: Dan C. Hall, director, Church Music Department, co-sponsor; Dr. Wilson; Eva Carol Aultman, Columbia, MC student; Dr. Jack Lyall, chairman Fine Arts Division of MC, and Tanner Riley, minister of music of First Church, Clinton, co-sponsor. Also co-sponsor was American Guild of Organists, Billy R. Trotter, dean.

Appointees Simulate Overseas Situation

By Lowry Mallory, Jr.
RIDGECREST, N. C.—How would you engineer such a happening? You want a group of missionary appointees to react similarly to nationals being presented the gospel.

Dr. Howard Law, professor of linguistics at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, did it this way:

Upon arriving at the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board orientation center at Ridgecrest, N. C., on February 12 for a series of lectures, he chose randomly seven of the missionary trainees and asked them to be "the missionaries." They were to form a fellowship group and greet one another regularly with a special handshake and the salutation: "Blessings on thee and on thy house."

As expected, this strange behavior created considerable interest among other trainees; especially when "the missionaries" began singing hymns vigorously while waiting for meals.

The interest was exploited by "the missionaries." They urged "the nationals" to join their fellowship. When questioned closely about the nature of this fellowship, "the missionaries" gave vague, elusive answers. Some of the others joined "the missionaries," but most did not, remaining curious but cautious.

Tension and resentment clouded over the horizon. On the third day—Valentine Day—"the missionaries" appeared wearing red and white hearts. Their ranks swelled that day, but the hard core of opposition organized themselves loosely into "the squares" and wore small pa-

per "square rules" proclaiming that they were square in their dealings.

Now the trainees found themselves in three groups. They had either joined "the hearts" or "the squares" or they remained uncommitted.

In class that afternoon Dr. Law announced a test for the following day. By supertime placards blared the news that anyone wanting the answer to the test needed only to see a member of the fellowship group.

"To 'the squares,' this obviously was a treacherous bid to undermine them. They held. But next day fellowship members went about displaying a word on their paper hearts. This was the answer to the question, they said.

Sure enough it was. Only five of the trainees did not put this word on their test papers. Finally, in a sense, all had joined "the missionaries" except these five.

In the explanation and discussion which followed, appointees revealed their feelings and reactions to this unique experiment.

Some had felt that the unity of the group was being threatened by these "missionaries" who were introducing something bizarre and divisive. Others said "the missionaries" didn't seem to be genuinely interested in the person but in building up their own group. Still others felt isolated, not having been invited to join the fellowship group.

In some families, husbands and wives were divided. Some joined the fellowship not really understanding what they were doing but feeling that they certainly were not against fellowship. Yet a

number became members and joyfully played the part.

What did all this add up to? It was a startling and revealing insight into the experience of being "the national." More importantly, perhaps, it provided new missionaries with food for thought on how to approach nationals with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Dr. W. David Lockard, director of orientation for the Foreign Mission Board, says the experiment also strongly illustrated reaction to the proclamation of God's grace. "Some refused to use the test answer because it was given free," he points out. "They saw this as unworthy or unreal because it was free."



Rev. John W. Green

Green Accepts Louisiana Post

Rev. John W. Green, for the past ten years pastor of the First Baptist Church, Winona, has resigned to accept a position as Director of Public Relations for the Louisiana Baptist Convention. He begins his new work on April 1.

A native of Louisiana, Green came to Mississippi nineteen years ago as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Long Beach. After nearly nine years there he moved to the Winona church.

Under his leadership the Winona church has made great advance, including the erection of a three story educational building which provides an interim sanctuary, and enlarging the staff and whole church program.

In denominational work he served on various committees and boards, including the State Convention Board, the Committee on Nominations, the Committee on Order of Business for the state convention. For three years he was chairman of the latter committee. On the State Convention Board he served on the Assemblies Committee, the Audit, Budget and Allocations Committee and others. He also served one year on the Committee on Nominations for the Southern Baptist Convention.

Green received his education at Louisiana Baptist College and of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Robbie Grey Miller of West Monroe, La., and they have three children. They will make their home in the Alexandria area, where the Louisiana Baptist convention offices are located.

Midwest Board Elects Three New Professors

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)—The board of trustees for Midwestern Seminary here elected three new professors to the faculty, planned to establish a chair of evangelism, adopted a record \$548,233, budget, and re-elected the trustees' president.

Named to the faculty were Burlan A. Sizemore Jr., as associate professor of Old Testament interpretation and Hebrew; Kenneth R. Wolfe, associate professor of New Testament interpretation and Greek; and Dewey E. Merritt, named visiting professor of missions for the academic year of 1968-69.

Sizemore, a native of Missouri, is presently a professor of Bible at Georgetown College (Baptist), Georgetown, Ky., and a graduate of Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo.; William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.; and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Wolfe, a former foreign missionary to Brazil, has been visiting professor at Midwestern Seminary for the past two years. He is a native of Winfield, Kan., and a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Mo., and Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kan.

Merritt, the visiting professor, is principal of the Hausa Baptist pastor's school in Kaduna, Nigeria, and will teach at Midwestern while on furlough. He is a native of Hattiesburg, Miss., and a graduate of Mississippi College (Baptist), Clinton, Miss., and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

In other actions, the board voted to establish a chair of evangelism at the earliest feasible date, and adopted its largest budget in history. The new budget calls for cost of living salary increases for the faculty.

BSSB Announces Several Changes

NASHVILLE (BP)—The church recreation department, of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has announced changes in their field consultants' responsibilities.

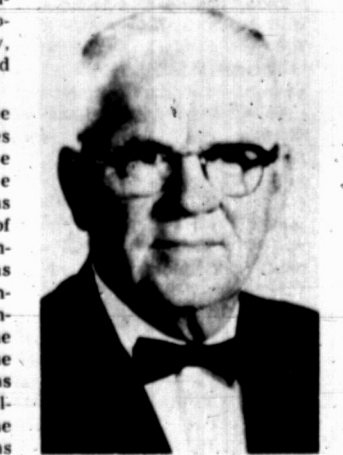
Bob Boyd, secretary of the department, said the changes were made because of the expanding services, which the department offers to churches, especially in the field of drama.

Frank Hart Smith, formerly recreational administration consultant, will assume duties as special consultant.

Joseph S. Mason, of Hopkinsville, Ky., will assume duties as recreational administration consultant on March 25.

He comes to the board from First Baptist Church, Atlanta, where he was minister of recreation and youth for six years.

Other changes include Bob Oldenburg and Cecil McGee in drama. Oldenburg will serve as consultant in drama and recreational music, working mainly with adults. McGee will continue his duties as consultant in drama, but will work primarily with younger age groups.



REV. C. L. BOLAND of Pearl has been called to the pastorate of Gatesville Church, Copiah County, Mr. Boland is a graduate of Mississippi College and Northwestern Seminary. He has served a number of churches in Mississippi and for the last six years has taught United States history, and Bible, in Pearl-McLaurin High School near Jackson. He will continue teaching along with his pastoral work.



DR. CHARLES E. FULLER

Charles E. Fuller, Old-Fashioned Revival Hour Preacher, Dies At 80

Charles E. Fuller, heard for nearly 43 years over the Old Fashioned Revival Hour radio broadcast, died in Pasadena, California on March 19, following complications resulting from congestive heart failure. He was 80 years old.

The pioneer radio evangelist began preaching in 1925 over a 100 watt station in Santa Ana, California. Gradually the broadcast was extended to cover the Western states, then coast to coast over the Mutual—and later the ABC—radio network. At present the broadcast is heard weekly on every continent over more than 500 radio stations with a combined total of 4,450,000 watts of power.

Dr. Fuller is survived by his son Daniel, Dean of the Faculty of Fuller Theological Seminary, and four grandchildren. He died 22 months after his wife of 55 years passed away in 1966. She had participated with him in the broadcast, and as editor of the monthly HEART TO HEART TALK for some 35 years.

The broadcast will continue,

featuring the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour Choir, pre-recorded messages by the late Bible teacher and other speakers including Dr. Daniel Fuller.

In 1943 he organized the Fuller Evangelistic Foundation to "do the work of an evangelist" by supporting established mission agencies and assisting in the training of workers for the ministry.

He was the co-founder in 1947 of Fuller Theological Seminary along with Dr. Harold J. Ockenga of Park Street Church, Boston, Massachusetts. The school has graduated nearly 1,000 students in its first two decades. He saw the scope of the Seminary broadened with the addition of a School of World Mission and School of Psychology.

Charles Edward Fuller was converted in Los Angeles half a century ago. He immediately began teaching the Bible as a layman and founded Calvary Church of Placentia which he served as pastor for 10 years. He was graduated from the Bible Institute of Los Angeles in 1924 and ordained

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A New Name

Southern Baptists are still considering the possibility of changing the name of their convention. This issue has been coming up periodically for the past seven or eight years.

In 1965 the Executive Committee was instructed by the convention to thoroughly study the matter. Meanwhile, editorials, articles and letters have appeared on the issue, some favoring change, while others argued for retaining the present title.

At its February, 1967, meeting the Executive Committee heard its public relations committee present 25 criteria by which to evaluate any proposed new name.

Among those were: Is it legally available? Is it distinctive? Would it be confused with other Baptist organizations? Does it lend itself to short form use? Would the initials be appropriate? Is it geographically accurate? Would it be favored for world-wide use?

Study of the numerous proposals has continued, and in its February, 1968 meeting the Executive Committee voted to take a poll of the messengers attending the coming convention in Houston, to determine whether a majority really want to change the name, and to offer two of the proposed names which appear to best fit the convention.

Messengers will be asked to indicate their preference for the following three names:

1. Southern Baptist Convention
2. Baptist General Convention
3. United Baptist Convention

The poll will not bind either the convention or the Executive Committee, but simply will serve as a guide for further study. The name could be changed only by approval of two-thirds of the messengers present and voting at two successive conventions, since the change is constitutional. This means that there still will be plenty of opportunity and time for full discussion of the issue, and there must be a strong feeling for the change or it will not be made.

We have only one suggestion concerning the poll which is to be taken at the coming convention, and that is that there be a fourth choice, namely, a blank space on the ballot for writing in of other suggested

names. There still may be another name which is better than those being offered. It is possible that this is too late for consideration for this year's ballot, or it may be that it will not be feasible because of the use of computer cards in balloting.

The main reason given by those who favor changing the name seems to be that the convention now covers the entire nation, and no longer serves just one area. Hence, the old regional name hardly is appropriate any more. Moreover, some of the leaders in the new "pioneer" areas of Southern Baptist work, say that the regional title has a tendency to hinder their ministry, since many people in these areas feel that a "southern" Baptist church must be for "southerners," and thus are hard to reach.

Even though some people have thought that the desire for change is prejudice against the South, there seems to be no evidence of this, since most of the men suggesting the change, are themselves former southerners. The one desire is to have a name which will not close doors for witnessing. Many others in these areas, however, say that the name Southern Baptist is a help rather than a hindrance.

Most of the churches in the newer areas have not used the term Southern Baptist in their titles, even as it is not used in the South, but simply say that they are affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention when identification is necessary.

Of the two proposed names which are to be voted on at Houston it appears to us that "United Baptist Convention" is the more appropriate, even though it has the connotation of two or more groups having united. Southern Baptists are a united group, with their unity being based upon the Word of God.

We are not, however, fully convinced that a name change is necessary. Even though we have visited in the "pioneer" areas many times, and are fully conscious of the problems the name may raise, we are not fully convinced that they are great enough to require a name change.

We are inclined to agree with those who argue that the name "Southern Baptist" now actually represents a theological position, rather than a geographical one, and that we could lose some things by giving up the name. Southern Baptists are known as a conservative theological group, with their conservatism based upon a Biblical, Christ centered, conservatism. We do not believe that our constituency is ready to give up that position. Perhaps changing a name might not mean that, but it could be interpreted as that.

Of course, those requesting a change may be right, and if a satisfactory name can be found, and solid reasons for change can be given, then such change

may come.

Our desire, and we think the desire of most Southern Baptists, is that we carry the name which will offer the largest possible opportunity for clear witness of Jesus Christ to America and to the world.

Charles E. Fuller

One of the worlds most widely known and best loved gospel preachers is dead.

He is Charles E. Fuller, founder and director of the Old Fashioned Revival Hour radio broadcast, and one of the founders of Fuller Theological Seminary.

The radio program started on one small Southern California station early in the beginnings of radio, and grew until it covered a network of more than one thousand stations, reaching literally to every continent of the earth.

Charles E. Fuller believed God's word and preached it. He felt that God had called him to preach the gospel to all people, but especially to those multitudes who were unable, because of location or circumstances, to attend regular church services, and to those who simply did not attend.

Through preaching of the Word, through gospel music, through letters, and by all other available means, the Old Fashioned Revival Hour sought to bring the message of God to the hearts of listeners everywhere.

One of the features through all the years was the reading of letters of testimony from listeners. During her lifetime this usually was done by Mrs. Fuller, who shared with her husband in all of his ministry, until her death more than two years ago.

For many years the program originated from the municipal auditorium in Long Beach, California, and there many people found the Lord, or came to share in the services because of what the broadcast had meant to them. It was the privilege of our family to visit that service one Sunday in 1951 while on the way to the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco.

Multitudes of souls were won to Christ by the ministry of this great preacher, while hosts of others were strengthened in their Christian life and witness. We are sure that many of them were waiting to greet him as he entered heaven, and that all of those who still remain on this earth, are saddened by his passing, even though they rejoice that he is now with his Lord.

The twentieth century has been made a little better because Charles E. Fuller lived. May God raise up others to take his place and continue his glorious witness.



CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC

Heart transplants entail ethical and moral problems not encountered in kidney transplants. Coronary artery disease is highly unpredictable, even with the X-ray movie observations that are now possible. Death that seems close may actually be 6 months or a year or more away. So it is virtually impossible for the finest of surgeons to predict when a heart transplant is a justifiable risk for the vast majority of those who might be supposed to be a logical transplant recipient. The surgeon's conscience can too readily ask, if a transplant fails, "Do I kill this man by removing his old, sick, but still ticking heart?" Members of the American Academy of Surgeons are now arguing the need for new guidelines. This statement appears in an article "A Realistic Look at Heart Transplants," published in the Saturday Review 2-3-68.

Children's thumb-sucking which has been a source of irritation for parents through the ages, gradually is losing its popularity with the younger set. It has been replaced by outward behavior symptoms — such actions as underachieving at school, stealing or refusing to help and share responsibilities at home. These are the observations of both Dr. Walter White and Dr. Jerome Rosenblum of the Pinellas County Child Guidance Clinic in St. Petersburg, Florida. (New York Post 1-31-68)

Medi-car is coming? Two law professors, Robert E. Keeton of Harvard and Jeffrey O'Connell of the University of Illinois have suggested sweeping changes in the present auto insurance industry. The plan would operate like medical insurance. The victim of a traffic mishap would recover his actual medical costs and lost wages in a fixed amount no matter who was at fault in the accident. The professors say the present system is apallingly wasteful and rampantly unjust. Only half the money paid out in premiums comes back in benefits. (Nashville Banner 2-5-68)

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)
April 1—Albert Brady, staff, Clarke College; Gayle Alexander, Lincoln association Sunday school supt.
April 2—Miss Evelyn Ayers, psychiatric nursing instructor, Gilroy School of Nursing; Vernon May, trustee, Baptist Hospital.
April 3—Mrs. Lewis Kellum, WMU president, District VII; N. W. Carpenter, Jr., Mississippi College faculty.
April 4—Joe Cobb, Baptist student director, Northeast Miss. Junior College; E. D. Richardson, DeSoto association Training Union director.
April 5—J. Clark Hensley, Christian Action Commission; Mrs. Betty Bingham, Cooperative Missions Department, Baptist Building.
April 6—Leon D. Wall, Grenada - Yalobusha supt. of missions; Mrs. Ruth Duncan, librarian, Wm. Carey College.
April 7—Hattie Johnson, Baptist Book Store; Miss Feriel Forbus, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Jo Ann Ginn, staff, Children's Village.

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THE CHRIST OF HISTORY

By Dr. Kenneth Chaffin

I, along with many other Americans, have had my attention focused on Israel and the mid-east. We have watched Israeli and Arab tensions build up. We watched the brief war and now we watch with a great deal of interest the impact over these events on world history. But I think that it's not what is going on in this part of the world today that is so interesting to the Christian as those events that took place a long time ago. The events which form the heart of the Christian religion.

I have as friends a lovely couple from Atlanta, Georgia, who have the most interesting theory about the Holy Land. After several trips to the Holy Land, they came to believe that in a day when there is so much uncertainty and so much doubt it could be a source of great encouragement to seminary students, to young pastors, and all Christians if they had the possibility of visiting the Holy Land and simply retracing the footsteps of Christ — those steps which He followed during the days of His earthly ministry. I think the thing that underlies this theory is the fact that Christianity is an historical religion. Christianity is a religion that deals with a real person who actually lived. His name was Jesus Christ. He was born in Bethlehem. He was reared in Galilee. He was crucified in Jerusalem. He was raised up from the dead. The Christian religion has to do with real places. So we talk about Jericho or we talk about Nazareth, and then we go visit them and we realize that this is the very road down which Jesus and His disciples came and this is the very river in which John the Baptist baptized Jesus.

The Christian religion deals not only with a real person and real places but with real events. There are theologians today that refer to this as salvation history because in a sense that which took place in these places and to these people have bearing upon our lives. It represents God at work in this world through real people and real events to deal with our salvation. I think this is why the Bible is such an interesting book. It deals with real issues and real people and real life.

Whether you have ever traveled to the Holy Land or not, you can know the God



THE OLIVE GROVE

By Patsy Lawton

An olive grove is a thrilling thing. As it shimmers in a gentle breeze it recalls fairy tales heard in childhood, colors half forgotten, stories from the Bible.

But if one looks for a long time, it isn't the shimmering, shimmering silver-gray-green leaves that interest him most. It is the trunks of the trees.

Have you ever seen them? Each one more twisted and grotesque than the other. Split, twisted, scarred. There are no splendid, magnificent, straight trunks in an olive grove.

Glance from the trunks to the branches, the leaves, and the fruit. No matter how badly scarred, how horribly twisted, how unmistakably divided the trunks are, the fruit is always there and new plants are readily produced from cuttings, seeds, or sprouts.

Put your hand into the earth in which they grow. There is nothing special there either. Any kind of earth will do as

who revealed himself through Jesus Christ. Whether you ever have the opportunity of going to Bethlehem, you can know that Christ came into the world at this place. And whether you are ever privileged to go and look at the one of several places where they think the crucifixion may have taken place, you can share in the benefits of the death of Christ upon the cross. I have not yet been to the Holy Land, but when I was a little boy, I met the Christ who came to earth in this place and I know Him as my Lord and Saviour. You can know Him, too.

long as it is comparatively free of calcium. All the olive tree asks is the proper climate.

Keep looking from one tortured trunk to another. Do they remind you of anyone you know?

The trunk there reminds me of the elderly woman I saw sitting at the door of the little church in the province of Matera. She goes each day to open the building so that the room will not be so damp for services.

That one? Is it the little mother, with the children clinging to her skirts, who cleans the church each week so her children will have a happy place to go to Sunday School?

And the one over there? Why, that is the sturdy farmer who ran two kilometers from the field to bring the key to show us his church.

The one with leaves like shining hair? Isn't it the dignified widow who opens the doors every Sunday just as a testimony that there are still evangelicals in the community, even though the church hasn't had a pastor for two years?

The two slender, twisted trunks? Why, those are the young people who use their holiday as a holy day, helping their pastor in the little missions of the church where "two or three are gathered together" in Christ's name.

Each one bearing fruit, each one, regardless of age or background or scholastic achievement, producing new plants. Each one able to bear fruit because he has found the one thing necessary — Jesus Christ and the love of fellow Christians.

Newest In Books

THE RESURRECTION & THE CHRISTIAN FAITH by W. J. Sparrow-Simpson (Zondervan, 460 pp., \$6.95)

Reprint of a book originally published in 1911 under the title *The Resurrection and Modern Thought*. The author was an outstanding English scholar and theologian. The author makes a thorough study of the whole record of the resurrection in the New Testament. He also studies the criticisms of the resurrection record both old and more recent. He answers those criticisms, and presents the reasons for belief in the resurrection as a fact, and as a central truth in the Christian faith. A very thorough study of this great truth and doctrine. Dr. Wilbur Smith is quoted as saying that "this is the most important book on the Resurrection of Christ that has been written in the English language."

THE PRE-EXISTENCE OF CHRIST IN THE NEW TESTAMENT by Dred B. Craddock (Abingdon, 192 pp., \$4.50)

A scholarly study of the New Testament doctrine of the pre-existence of Christ, with its meaning in Christian theology and message.

ON NOT LEAVING IT TO THE SNAKE by Harvey Cox. (Macmillan, 174 pp., \$4.95)

The author who created such a stir with his book "The Secular City," presents some more of his ecumenical, social action, liberal views. He seems to be saying that the hope of Israel was a "social" hope, but that Christianity moved away from that. He rejects the Christian emphasis on the "future," and says that Christian concern should be with the present world. He deals with the problems of the "urban" world now emerging. He says that denominations "log" have outlived their usefulness and now provide more of a barrier than a help to mission in the world." He calls for an end to the "Communist-Christian Vendetta." He apparently feels that the world can and must be made over by liberal, social emphasis. Bible believing Christians will not believe or accept such a mis-interpretation of the Bible message or rejection of God's revelation.

KEYS IN OUR HANDS by Helen Kingsbury Wallace (Judson, 127 pp., \$3.50)

The author discusses jobs, education, the vote, housing, child care, foster parents, fellowship houses, the church and other factors as keys in unlocking the doors to a better life for the Negro.

THE CHRISTIAN ENCOUNTERS TOWN AND COUNTRY AMERICA by Giles C. Ekola (Concordia, 123 pp., paper \$1.25)

A study of the change from rural to urban life and its effect on living, churches, community life, education, etc. Discusses the responsibility for preserving land, water resources, recreational resources, etc.

THE MOUNTAIN THAT MOVED by Edward Englund (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 126 pp., \$3.50)

This is an eye witness story, illustrated with photographs, of the terrible tragedy in Aberfan, Wales, when a man-made mountain of coal slag engulfed a school, and 100 children were victims. The author is Religion Editor on the board of Hodder and Stoughton Publishers, Ltd., England. He goes into the question of "Why, God, why? Why the children?"

THE CROSS AND FLAME by Bruce Shelley (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 191 pp., \$3.95)

Dr. Shelley introduces more than a score of martyrs from past and present, and explores the reasons why some Christians are willing to face

torture and death. This is the story of real men and women caught up in terrifying events because they dared to be witnesses for Christ.

YOUR TEEN-AGER AND YOU by Anna B. Mow (Zondervan, 96 pp., \$2.95)

The author develops the thesis that love lies at the root of, and supplies the only answer to, troubled relationships between parents and teenagers.

AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF RELIGION by Vergilius Ferm and 190 collaborators (Philosophical Library, 844 pp., \$10)

A reference book on almost every subject, person, date and event in the field of religion. The articles are not exhaustive of the subjects, but do give basic information, and most include a bibliography for further study. This is not a Bible Encyclopedia, although many Bible subjects are included. Whether you are a studying Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism or almost any other religious subject, you will find here authoritative articles concerning its history, and concerning men who have somehow been related to it.

PERHAPS 65 COUNTRIES WILL SEND DELEGATES TO BERN

Sixty-five countries may be represented by delegates attending the Baptist Youth World Conference in Bern, Switzerland, July 22-28, reports Robert S. Denny, coordinator.

Denny, associate secretary of the sponsoring Baptist World Alliance, said in Washington (USA) that applications have come from young people in 48 countries, and that youth in 17 more countries are waiting on visas or other clearances.

He proposed that individuals, churches, and student groups in the more affluent countries underwrite travel expenses for young people from less well-to-do nations.

The keynote address of the assembly will be given by Denny. One attraction of the week-long conference in Bern's municipal auditorium will be the singing of a choir of 1,000 voices. — (EBPS)

METHODISTS WOULD LIFT BAN ON CLERGY'S USE OF LIQUOR

SAN ANTONIO (RNS)—A proposal approved here by the national Board of Christian Social Concerns of The Methodist Church asked the legislative body of the denomination to remove legal requirements that clergymen abstain from the use of alcohol.

The recommendation, to be presented to the General Conference of The Methodist Church at its late April meeting, urged that a similar demand placed upon members of the official board of local churches also be deleted from denominational law.

However, it was stressed that abstinence as a voluntary measure should be encouraged in the United Methodist Church, which will be formally established by merger with the Evangelical United Brethren Church at the General Conference.

OUACHITA PROFESSOR IS MISSIONARY TO CHINESE

By Lamar James
From The Arkansas Baptist

On the first Sunday of every month Dr. Jachin Y. Chan delivers a sermon in Cantonese to his Chinese-American congregation in Clarksdale, Miss., and then acts as his own translator for the English-speaking majority.

"This is a challenge which helps me get closer to God," says the professor of English at Ouachita University, in Arkansas.



Dr. J. Y. Chan

Dr. Chan is kept busy two weekends out of each month by Chinese missions at Clarksdale and Vicksburg, Miss., each more than 200 miles away from the university.

"There are quite a few Chinese in the delta area of Mississippi who moved there after the Civil War in large groups and set up trade primarily with Negroes," explains Dr. Chan.

Why that area? Himself a naturalized American citizen since January of this year, Dr. Chan added that not much is known about how and why the Chinese came to live in that area. But it is common knowledge that the Chinese were first imported to the United States to work on the trans-continental railroads.

Today there are many older people in the delta who have come to the United States since World War II in what might be called a second migration. These are relatives and friends of Chinese-Americans who have lived in Mississippi all their lives.

"About 95 per cent of the Chinese-Americans living in Mississippi operate small grocery stores—not one owns a restaurant or operates a laundry," says Dr. Chan.

The several thousand Chinese-Americans are widely spread, with Greenville, near the Arkansas-Mississippi border, having the largest concentration within its city limits.

Problem of dialects

Dr. Chan became interested in the problems of these people, particularly the old, during his eight years of ministry from 1955 to 1963 in a Chinese Baptist church in Cleveland, Miss. His two missions were established at Clarksdale and Vicksburg in 1963.

At the Vicksburg mission, Dr. Chan found it necessary to translate his sermons into the two Chinese dialects—Cantonese and Mandarin—as well as English. The Mandarin is spoken by Chinese engineers from Formosa who migrated to the United States after World War II.

Although the two dialects are completely dissimilar, Dr. Chan said that Cantonese and Mandarin-speaking people are able to converse by writing their thoughts down in the common written language of China. All Chinese-American young, however, learn English as well as their own dialect and hence have no problem in understanding each other.

In Clarksdale, Dr. Chan found that the best method to deliver a sermon was to speak two paragraphs in Cantonese followed by two paragraphs in English, so that a 30-minute sermon contained only 15 minutes of actual time.

Dr. Chan also found it necessary to have a special translation of the Bible printed. Whereas in the early Chinese translation baptism is referred to as sprinkling, Dr. Chan's Baptist version translates it as immersion. He also uses a special hymnbook with the Chinese translation below the English words.

In 1963 Dr. Chan quit his post at Cleveland to take a full-time teaching job at Mobile College in Alabama, selecting two men to take over his missions during his absence.

"After a year one man quit and I was unable to find a replacement," he recalled. Furthermore, the president of Mobile College was unwilling to let Dr. Chan split his time with mission work.

Hard decision

"I was faced with a hard decision. Should I let the missions continue or not?" he said.

The pull of mission work won out and he returned to Mississippi in 1964. "The year I didn't preach I was down spiritually," said Dr. Chan.

The happy medium was reached in 1966 when Dr. Chan moved to Ouachita to teach English. Dr. Ralph Phelps, president of Ouachita, was pleased that Dr. Chan wanted to continue his mis-

sionary work and readily agreed to his semi-monthly trips to Mississippi.

It is 240 miles to Clarksdale and 270 miles to Vicksburg, and as if these two missions were not enough, Dr. Chan is considering establishing another mission in Greenwood, in March. He also mentions as a more remote possibility the establishment of missions in Pine Bluff and Helena, Ark.

His efforts in Mississippi have been supported by the Cooperative Missions Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the local churches in the communities where he holds his services.

Rewards are many

One finds himself wondering what rewards are in Dr. Chan's missionary efforts which would make it worthwhile. Aside from the challenge he finds in the preaching, Dr. Chan said that his enjoyment comes from the warm, personal contact in speaking and counseling with his congregation.

Dr. Chan finds the older people are the most difficult to help and talk to, but they are the most rewarding when he succeeds in helping them.

It is in one such endeavor that Dr. Chan found the most outstanding experience of his ministry.

He visited an older man's

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IN A TANK specially built for the occasion, Rev. Lewis I. Myers, Jr., missionary to Danang, Vietnam, (from Mississippi) baptized 13 persons (including his 10-year-old daughter Laura) just hours before the Communists began their big offensive in January. It was the first baptismal service he had conducted since moving to Danang two and a half years ago.



REV. LEWIS I. MYERS, JR., missionary to Danang, Vietnam, baptizes his 10-year-old daughter, Laura.



ALIVE, INC. PAVILION at HemisFair '68—A 5,000 square foot theater with air-conditioned waiting lines outside, is nearing completion on the site of the Texas World's Fair by a non-profit, interested group of Texas business-men. The Pavilion will present its films in both English and Spanish.

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At HemisFair the same procedure will be followed. In May of 1965 TIME mag-

"Sermons from Science"—Moody Science film program—was selected by TIME magazine as one of the ten top exhibits at the New York World's Fair. "Sermons from Science" have been shown to full houses at Seattle, New York, and Montreal.

azine stated: "The most pressing issue facing Christian theologians today is how to talk sense about God to a secular, science-minded, doubt-filled world."

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The people who are reached by this program are primarily those called by Moody Institute "The Untouchables"—those well-dressed, well-educated, sophisticated, "nice" people all about us who have rejected not Christ, but a straw image of Christianity. Nearly 90 percent of those remaining for the spiritual film will have no church connection.

As has been true at other world fairs, the entire project will be funded by concerned

Christian people across America. Contributions are being sent to P. O. Box 9097, San Antonio, Texas 78204.

Alive, Inc. is a non-profit organization of Texas businessmen and is not limited by denominational affiliation. It is composed of Christians whose only goal is to see people come to know personally the reality of Jesus Christ.

The theme for HemisFair '68, San Antonio's gigantic 250th birthday celebration, is the Confluence of Civilizations in the Americas. Certainly no influence has been greater on our culture than that exerted by the followers of Jesus Christ. It is fitting that many who come to celebrate the birth of a city will go home celebrating a new birth in their own heart.

13 BAPTIZED IN DANANG JUST BEFORE BIG BATTLE

By Captain Jack S. McMichael
DANANG, Vietnam — On Sunday, January 28 — just hours before the Communists began their major offensive in the cities of South Vietnam—a little child led a procession of 12 Vietnamese into baptismal waters in the backyard of Rev. and Mrs. Lewis I. Myers, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries in Danang. The child was Laura Myers.

The baptismal service, with 200 in attendance, was the first that Lewis had conducted since he and his family moved to Danang two and a half years ago.

In the months preceding the baptisms, Laura and the 12 Vietnamese (six women and six men) had professed faith in Christ. Since then each had studied in preparation for baptism. Some had been waiting as long as seven months.

Lewis and Toni Myers, from Boyle, Miss., have been in Vietnam seven and a half years. They and their four children, Mike, nearly 13,

Laura, Margaret, eight, and Gray, five, live in downtown Danang amidst masses of people.

Other Southern Baptist missionaries in Danang are Ronald and Betty Merrell, of Tulsa, Okla., and Jim Bobo, a missionary journeyman from Fort Worth, Tex. (now in Bangkok, Thailand). The Merrells have two children, Danny, eight, and Timmy, five.

Lewis and Toni have long taught Sunday School classes in their home. Recently Lewis built pews and started worship services in a garage-type addition to the house.

The missionaries in Danang have no baptistry. Lewis asked a U. S. Army chaplain, Major William K. Bagnal, a Southern Baptist from West Columbia, S. C., for help in securing a suitable tank of some sort. Bill turned to me and we arranged for a reinforced plywood tank lined with heavy canvas. The completed baptistry was delivered to the Myers home on Saturday.

Lewis noticed a mistake in

the design of the tank—it was built for American-size people, not for Vietnamese, who are much shorter. But before morning he built and installed a platform in the bottom of the tank and also painted the tank and erected a plywood and drapery backdrop. Toni and Betty placed flowers and potted plants around the unit.

Beginning with Laura, Lewis baptized the new Christians in an impressive and beautiful ceremony witnessed by a congregation of missionaries, American soldiers, and Vietnamese civilians.

A few minutes later, open Bible in hand, Lewis began the observance of the Lord's Supper, speaking in Vietnamese. Thirteen persons, hair still damp from their baptism, waited in eager anticipation to share in the Lord's Supper for the first time. Most of the Americans understood not a word of what was said, but the radiant smiles of the Vietnamese revealed their joy.

Soon the service was over. They sang a song in Vietnamese and went out to their "Mount of Olives."

President Of SBC Pastors' Conference Writes History Of The Organization

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE—Dr. Gerald Martin, president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, is scheduled to release his new book, *Sir, We Would See Jesus—The Story of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference*, this month at his church in Memphis.

The book presents in an attractive style the story of the Pastors' Conference from its beginning in Memphis in May, 1935, under the leadership of Dr. M. E. Dodd, to its present position of importance among Southern Baptists with an attendance of as many as 15,000 persons.

In his preface the author tells how he came to write the book. The leadership for the 1967 Pastors' Conference in Miami Beach fell upon his shoulders just three days before the Conference was to begin. An immediate search for information produced almost nothing about the history of the Conference or its policies and programs.

With the aid of past presidents and others, and the files of the Convention founder, Dr. M. E. Dodd, the author has brought together an interesting arrangement of historical facts, anecdotes, and personal insights.

Prominent in the book is Dr. M. E. Dodd, who guided the Pastors' Conference through its first fifteen years.

The leading title of the book, *Sir, We Would See Jesus*, is taken from an inscription inside Dr. Dodd's pulpit. The Conference has remained true to its founder's purpose to deal with the pastors' problems, and with spiritual, missionary, evangelistic, doctrinal, and practical matters. Some of the best known Baptist preachers were first introduced to the convention through the Pastors' Conference. Dr. Dodd said, "I purposely put some young men on the program each year and many like J. D. Grey, Herschel Hobbs, and others, have

thanked me for giving them their first S.B.C.—wide opportunity."

The author recognizes the strong evangelistic emphasis and the solid doctrinal basis of the Pastors' Conference. He says, "The Conference has had on its programs through the years the mental and spiritual giants of Southern Baptist life... thundering the truths from the Word of God until critics of true Bible doctrine are driven to cover."

In the book Dr. Martin brings the Pastors' Conference to life through his use of stories, illustrations, and

anecdotes. Many pastors will recall the occasion when Herschel Hobbs was a speaker on one of the programs with a restricted amount of time. He had a problem, and in good humor presented it to the pastors for solving. "I have a full printed manuscript here with me. If you will permit me to follow it closely, I can deliver my assigned message in twenty minutes. If you insist that it be delivered without manuscript, it will take forty minutes." In an even lighter vein, several voices from the audience shouted, "Read it, brother, read it!"

The book contains highlights of the programs through the years, including a section on Dr. Robert G. Lee, who has appeared on the program more times than any other two persons. In 1955 the Conference voted to invite Dr. Lee to preach on every program as long as he is able.

Included also in the book is a list of the officers, the years they served, and the meeting places of the Conference. Attention is given to the laymen, such as Gary Player, who have appeared on the program, as well as the great influence and growth of the Conference.

The concluding chapter presents the auxiliary, the Conference of Ministers' Wives.

The \$1.00 paperback edition of the book will go on sale this month in the author's office at 3295 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38111, and will be available at the Pastors' Conference in Houston.



DR. GERALD MARTIN, Dr. Robert G. Lee, and Dr. Ramsey Pollard (left to right) stand in front of the old First Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, where the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference held its first meeting in May, 1935. Pollard is one of the early presidents of the Pastors' Conference. Lee has appeared on the Pastors' Conference programs twice as often as any other man. Martin is president of the Pastors' Conference, which will meet this year in Houston, Texas, June 2-4. This picture is taken from the back cover of Dr. Martin's new book, *THE STORY OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE*.

Refugee Response In Vietnam

By Betty Merrell, Missionary
The East Danang Baptist Center, located in a refugee settlement, recently expanded activities to include Sunday night worship services for young people and adults.

After the fourth service we were making the usual preparation for returning home. Eager young hands were extended to carry the organ to the car, disassemble and carry out the public address system, or take the big song sheets down and fold them away.

Suddenly among the outstretched young hands was a grained old one, even dirtier than the others. When my husband found the face that went with that hand, a little old woman was looking up at him. She said, "I want to take Jesus into my heart." Ronald called me to counsel with her.

I couldn't have been more surprised. We hadn't given thought yet to professions of faith at that center. We knew we were presenting something entirely foreign from anything these people had heard before. Also, we had a double language barrier, for the refugees had fled from country homes and the combination of their distinct country pronunciations and our "baby" Vietnamese threw a big hurdle into the path of understanding. Moreover, the environment at worship had not been conducive to understanding any message. Refugees attempting

to scrape together enough pieces to begin life again have little time for training children or worrying about manners. During any service children constantly dart back and forth, small children carry sleepy, fretful babies on their hips, parents come to the windows and call to children inside.

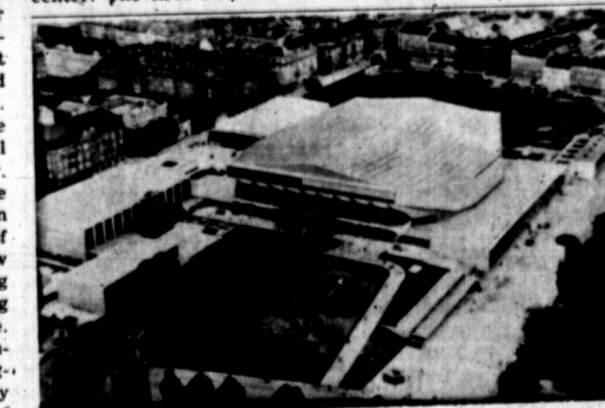
With these handicaps, we were sure it would take some time to get the message across clearly. But there stood old, sweet-faced Mrs. Xuyen. I had especially liked her from the first Sunday at the center. The first time or two

she came right in to Sunday School with the children; later she watched from outside. Whenever I looked her way that toothless smile was always ready.

I talked with her and she said, "I want Jesus to come into my heart."

When we raised our heads from prayer, there stood a soldier—father who lives directly behind the center. His wife has been a sewing student since our first class started. He had listened outside the window throughout the service. He simply said, "I, too,"

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THE STADTHALLE (city auditorium) in Vienna, Austria, will be the meeting place for the 1969 European Baptist Conference. Sponsored by the European Baptist Federation, the conference assemblies every five years. Falling in August, 1969 it helps celebrate the centennial of Viennese and Austrian Baptists. The auditorium is located in the western part of the city, near West Bahnhof (West Railroad Station). (European Baptist Press Service Photo courtesy Vienna Tourist Bureau)



William Carey Chorale Tour Begins This Week

THE WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE CHORALE will leave on March 28 for their twelfth annual Spring tour. Under the direction of Donald Winters, chairman of Carey's Department of Music, the fifty-member group will perform fourteen times, returning on April 12 to Hattiesburg. They will sing for audiences in a variety of cities in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, and Texas. The 1968 itinerary tour is as follows: Thursday, March 28, Magnolia Street, Laurel; Friday, March 29, Oakland Heights, Meridian; Saturday, March 30, First,

Itta Bena; Sunday, March 31, First, Pontotoc; Monday, April 1, First, Forest; Tuesday, April 2, First, Quitman; Wednesday, April 3, Cottage Hill Church, Mobile, Alabama; Thursday, April 4, Whitfield Memorial, Pensacola, Florida; Friday, April 5, Eastlawn, Pascagoula; Saturday, April 6, Pineville Park Church, Pineville, Louisiana; Monday, April 8, Broadway Church, Fort Worth, Texas; Tuesday, April 9, First Church, Cleburne, Texas; Wednesday, April 10, Park Place Church, Houston, Texas; Thursday, April 11, Broadmoor Church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Mississippi Minister Retires

After 43 years in the ministry and eight years of service at McLaurin Church, McLaurin Miss., Rev. L. P. Petty has retired. Although he had many opportunities to go out of state, he pastored only churches in Mississippi.

Born in Estabatchie, Miss., he was licensed to preach by the Baptist church there. The Men's Bible Class of the Laurel Church made it possible for him to attend and graduate from Clarke College. He then moved to Hinds County where he graduated from Mississippi College.

At New Orleans Seminary, he graduated with a B.D. degree, and also did considerable work toward his Master's degree.

While Petty was at Clarke, he accepted his first pastorate at McDonald Church, Neshoba county. During this time, he was also a teacher in the Neshoba County schools. While at Clinton, he pastored the Beulah Church and later organized the Bolton Church in Bolton. During his three years at the seminary and two years afterward, he pastored at Nicholson.

Other pastorates include Bude; Glendale - Hattiesburg, where he completed a building program already underway; Hermanville, where the old church was renovated and a baptistry added; Roseland Park-Picayune, where another building was completed; and finally McLaurin. During his ministry at McLaurin, the first building fund the church had ever had was established, the old church was renovated and a baptistry built. Finally, before his retirement, the church voted to erect a new building, and work was begun.

Residing at 515 Old Richmond Road, Petal, Petty and his wife are active in Petal Harvey Church, and he is also doing supply work in the surrounding areas.



Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bush, parents of Rev. J. P. Bush, pastor of Goodwater Church, Daleville, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary recently. Mr. and Mrs. Bush, members of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Simpson County, were honored by a reception in their home. They have lived all their lives in the Bethlehem community and still are active in the church there. On Sunday nights they are regular radio listeners to Dr. Joe Tuten of Calvary Church, Jackson, and refer to him as their pastor, too.

Other children in addition to their preacher son include Mrs. Ray Cottingham and Mrs. J. T. Carter of Jackson; Mrs. E. S. Lee of Mount Olive; and Mrs. William Toland of Baylor University. There are 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Library Clinics To Be Held

NASHVILLE — The church library department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will sponsor three Church Resource Center Clinics for church library staffs, church staffs, and other interested persons, during the month of April, 1968.

Clinics will begin with a supper meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Friday evening and end on Saturday afternoon. Theme for National Library Week-Church Library Emphasis, "Be All You Can Be—Read!" will be used. Inspirational speakers will be: First Church, Decatur, Georgia, April 5-6, Jay Turner, manager, central stores department, Sunday School Board; Polytechnic Church, Fort Worth, Texas, April 19-20, V. L. McGlocklin, manager, western stores department, Sunday School Board; and Highland Heights Church, Memphis, April 26-27, Fred Wood, pastor, Eudora Church, Memphis.

Ouachita Professor

(Continued From Page 5) home several times and the man was friendly enough except when Dr. Chan mentioned the subject of church and religion. The man would always turn his head and change the conversation. This was greatly discouraging to Dr. Chan until he received a phone call from the man one day.

He had just made a big decision in his life, and wanted to see Dr. Chan immediately. The man had decided to surrender his life to Christ and be baptized when he was suffering from terminal cancer.

"I was so thrilled with his decision because he was not so friendly with the church," said Dr. Chan. "This is the only case in all my ministry where such a hard-set man was converted to Christianity after years of denying the church."

"I told the man that it was not baptism which saved, but his faith, and apparently he understood."

Two weeks later he was dead. The old man's widow who had also resisted the church was later baptized by Dr. Chan.

Dr. Chan concluded, "Working with the old is very slow and I need more prayer. It is so hard to introduce anything new to older Chinese."



REV. CURTIS EDWARD (EDDIE) BRYANT was recently ordained to the gospel ministry by the Union Church, Route 1, Mize. He is a junior at Mississippi College and is serving as pastor of New Home Church near Taylorsville.

Homecoming At Southside

Southside Church, Greenville, will observe Homecoming on April 21.

The pastor, Rev. S. B. Boyett, will preach at the 8:30 and 11 morning services, with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

At noon, dinner will be served on the church grounds, with a period of fellowship. Starting around 1:30 p.m. there will be a period of singing.



Rev. Wilburn Matthews

ACCEPTS ALABAMA PASTORATE

Rev. Wilburn Matthews, for more than nine years pastor of Calvary Church, Greenwood, has resigned to accept the pastorate of First Church, Guntersville, Alabama, effective April 1. He succeeds Dr. D. W. Edwards, who has retired.

Mr. Matthews is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary with the B.S., B.D., and Master degrees.

In 1960 and 1962, he received the George Washington Honor Medals for a sermon and a public address. In 1963, he received Freedoms Foundation's highest award in the nation, "The Encased George Washington Honor Medal," plus \$500.00 for the sermon, "America at the Crossroads." He was also one of three cited in the nation by the National Life Line Foundation of Washington, D. C., in 1963.

The Calvary Church experienced substantial growth under his leadership. There have been 905 additions to the church. In 1960, there were 140 baptisms. The Lottie Moon Offering has increased over 900%; mission gifts have increased to 21% of the budget; he has made over 29,000 visits in the local hospital; the church is debt free and has \$45,000.00 in savings for long range purposes.

He has served for four years as a State Convention board member; has served as



Rev. Fred Toomey

Central (Yazoo) Calls Pastor

Rev. Fred Toomey, a native Alabamian, has accepted a call to Central Church, Route 2, Benton.

For the past year the Toomeys have lived in Union, where he served as pastor of Rock Branch Church while attending Clarke College.

A native of Silas, Alabama, he is married to the former Christine Walker of Grove Hill and Prichard, Alabama. The Toomeys have two daughters, Dee Ann, 10, and Lori, 6.

Mr. Toomey plans to enter Mississippi College in the fall.

State Chairman of the Oratorical Speaking Contests in the state, and has also served as a State Chaplain in a service organization.

Mrs. Matthews is the former Dennis Brent of Wesson, a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi. Their three children are Mark, age nine; Suzanne, age five; and Paul, age two.

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DALLAS COLLEGE RECEIVES \$500,000 GIFT FROM COLLINS

DALLAS (BP)—Dallas Baptist College has received a \$500,000 gift from a prominent Texas Baptist philanthropist.

Carr P. Collins, Sr., announced his gift at a March 7 luncheon which officially launched a \$2.5 million development program.

A library-learning center and cultural arts center will be financed by the drive, announced Charles P. Pitts, president.



Paul Armstrong

Music Minister Is Ordained

Paul Armstrong has been ordained by the Auburn Church as minister of music.

The message was brought by the pastor, Rev. William P. Smith, III.

Charge to the church was given by Rev. Mack Rutledge, pastor of Priceville Church. A solo was sung by Lacy Potter, minister of music at West Jackson Street Church.

Mr. Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Armstrong of Verona, is a full-time student at Blue Mountain College, majoring in voice.

DEACON DIES AT ETHEL

Upon the recent death of Nelson W. Carter, deacon at Ethel Church, the pastor, Rev. Aaron A. Lewis, the deacons, the WMU, the Sunday school, Training Union, Men's Sunday School Class, and other church members, adopted a resolution expressing "sincere appreciation for the Christian service which Mr. Carter had given to the church."

The document stated that Mr. Carter during his lifetime "devoted much of his time and energy to the Ethel Church and the Christian principles for which it stands," and "as a deacon, he was ever giving of himself in the advancement of these principles," and "his devotion to his family and to his community was outstanding."

Enter without knocking; remain on the same terms.

Seminary Prof Gets Study Grant

FORT WORTH (BP)—Leon McBeth, professor at Southwestern Seminary here, has received a \$3,500 grant from the American Association of Theological Schools for study at Union Theological Seminary, New York, during his sabbatical leave next year.

At Union Seminary, McBeth will study the impact of social and cultural factors on American Christianity including Baptists.



Ralford Bullock

Is Ordained At Fellowship

Fellowship Church, Tippah County, has ordained Ralford Bullock as minister of music. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bullock of Ripley. Now a student at Clarke College, he serves Leaf River Church as minister of music.

Rev. Roy Marshall preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Harry Phillips led the charge to the church. Rev. Bill Peacock brought special music. Victor Reaves, chairman of deacons presented Mr. Bullock with a pulpit edition of the Baptist Hymnal.

Refugee

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want to become a Christian." There they were — the first two persons to respond to our witness among the 6,000 refugees settled in the little area called An Don.

As we drove back across the river, Randal kept marveling at the work of God in those two hearts. "I wouldn't have traded places tonight with anyone in the whole wide world," he said.

Golden Gate Adopts Budget

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP) — Trustees of Golden Gate Seminary here elected a new librarian and adopted a \$719,105 budget for the 1968-69 academic year.

The new librarian, effective April 1, is G. Paul Hamm of Rancho Gordova, Calif., pastor of the First Baptist Church in that California city.

Hamm is a native of Fort Smith, Ark., a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary where he is currently working on a doctor of sacred theology degree. He is also studying toward a master of library science degree at the University of California, Berkeley.

In other action, the seminary board promoted Clayton K. Harrop to full professor of New Testament interpretation, and named two visiting professors—Eva Marie Kennard as visiting professor of comparative religion, and T. W. Hill of the Spanish Baptist Publishing House, El Paso, Tex., as visiting professor of missions.



Rev. L. W. Frederick

Trinity, Laurel Calls New Pastor

Rev. Lewis Wayne Frederick has accepted the pastorate of Trinity Church, Laurel. He moved to Laurel from Guntown, where he has served as pastor of Camp Creek Church since 1964.

He received his B. A. degree from Mississippi College and B. D. and M. R. E. degrees from New Orleans Seminary.

Mr. Frederick is married to the former Florence Edith Blush of Edwards, and they are the parents of three daughters.

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By Clifton J. Allen
John 17

John alone records Jesus' great intercessory prayer. In it he poured out his heart to



the Father in earnest intercession for himself and for his followers. This prayer seems to have been spoken just before Jesus entered the garden of Gethsemane. He knew the agony of suffering and shame to be endured on the cross. But he felt a supreme concern that the followers believing in him then and down through the ages would be made equal to the demands of their commitment to him as Lord and would show forth to the world the true spiritual unity of which they are partakers by their relationship to God in Christ. As we study this prayer, we enter into the holy of holies of the Saviour's heart.

The Lesson Explained THE PRAYER FOR HIMSELF (v. 1)

Prayer was a reality in the life of Jesus. This great high priestly prayer, therefore, was the capstone of a prayer life. The first part of his prayer shows his perfect communion and perfect identity with the Father. He prayed for himself, not selfishly, but in relation to the glory of the Father and the will of the Father. The hour was come to offer his life as the atonement for sin. The very glory of God would be demonstrated in the death of Jesus and mediated to a lost world through his sacrifice. His magnificent life would not end in defeat but in glorious victory. The petition of the first verse needs to be joined to the truth in the verses which follow. Jesus' sacrifice would make it possible for men to know the only true God in the reality of eternal life. Jesus' death would be the glorious completion of the supreme act of redemptive love.

PRAYER FOR THE DISCIPLES (vv. 6-10)
Jesus declared that he has manifested the Father's name actually, the Father's nature and being as the word of God and kept them for their assurance and their witness. They were convinced of Jesus' relationship to the Father, and they had believed in him as their Lord. Now Jesus prayed particularly for them and for what they needed to fulfill the Father's purpose in them.

Jesus' prayer for his disciples continues on through verse 19. Repeatedly Jesus had warned his disciples what to expect. He prayed not that they be taken out of this world's sphere or that they be spared from the trials of the present world order. He asked rather that they be preserved from evil and from all that would destroy their effectiveness as his witnesses. His plea was that they be sanctified by the truth, which is the strongest force for purity of character, growth in Christian virtues, and equipment to be servants of the gospel.

THE PRAYER FOR ALL BELIEVERS (vv. 20-24)
Jesus' mind envisioned all who would believe in him down the course of the centuries. His intercession reached out and reached forward to include all of them. The burden of his prayer was "that they all may be one." He was asking that they might experience a unity of spirit similar to that of the Father and the Son, a unity springing from the same life and finding expression in complete harmony and being marked by the same purpose. The Saviour's urgent petition was that all Christians might experience and feel and manifest the unity of faith, of love, of purpose, and of mutual concern that proves them to be one in the family of God. And thus the glory of Christ in the unity of Christians will be a witness to the world to cause many persons to turn from darkness to light, from the power of Satan to the living God, and become heirs of eternal glory.

Truths to Live By
The Christian's relationship

to the world is a paradox: preparation and involvement. We are to be involved in the world's life in a way to serve and help the people of the world. This calls for involvement with all kinds and classes of persons—the lowest and highest in social status and the meanest and noblest in moral character. This calls for willingness to be involved in the guilt and shame and loneliness and suffering and peril of other persons.

Christ yearns for the unity of all Christians.—The burden of his intercessory prayer leaves us in no doubt at this point. Surely this means that we ought to recognize all Christians everywhere, of all languages and customs and races and classes, as brothers in the family of God and as fellow disciples of our living Lord. It means that we should pray for their spiritual prosperity and fruitfulness in Christian service. It means that we should have great joy in knowing that we worship the same Lord and that we are all partakers of the Holy Spirit and that we are all to be servants of the kingdom of righteousness and peace.

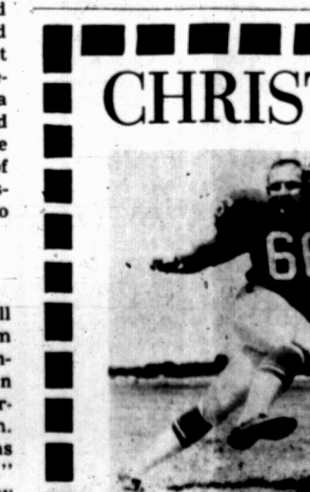
Names In The News

Rev. Tillman Rodabough, a native of Aberdeen, was recently called as pastor of First Church, Bruceville, Texas. He is a 1960 graduate of Baylor University and a graduate of Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth. He has served as pastor of South Church in Dodson, Texas, Neshoba Church at Neshoba, Miss., and Morrison Chapel Church at Cleveland. Presently, he is in graduate school and on the teaching faculty of Baylor University.



Verona Church Burns Note

ON MARCH 10, Verona Church had dinner on the ground followed by a special thanksgiving service at which time two notes totaling \$56,000 were burned. The notes were for the sanctuary constructed in 1960 and an educational building constructed in 1962. Burning the notes are (left) C. C. Mattox and (right) A. A. Posey. Pastor Jim Futral is in the center. The church has recently purchased land and is making plans for additional educational space.



Billy Shaw
Football
Buffalo Bills

By Bill Duncan
Hebrews 13

In the last study from the book of Hebrews, we find the writer reminding the readers of the essential qualities of the Christian life. Because of the circumstances of persecution and dispersion, they are called upon to



show these qualities. Our day is a day when we too need to show these qualities in our lives. There are many qualities mentioned, but because of space we will only mention four.

Brotherly Love (Vs. 1-3)

Barclay says that the circumstances of the early church sometimes threatened brotherly love. When the church is threatened from the outside and desperately earnest in the inside, there are the dangers of heresy-hunting and unsympathetic treatment of the one whose faith has failed. It is so easy to become critical, fault-finding, condemning, and harsh; and these destroy brotherly love. Our hearts need to be filled with brotherly love so that we can aid one another and keep from having our fellowship destroyed.

Brotherly love will demonstrate a spirit of hospitality. Someone has said that Christianity is the religion of the open door. This passage speaks of making accommodation available for each other. Some, in giving hospitality to strangers, have entertained the messengers of God.

Brotherly love will have sympathy for those in trouble. The early church was faced with being suspected and ill-treated many times. As a result, many were forced to go to jail. Some went for their faith; others for being

poor because of their faith. It was then that the church was to go into action. No Christian who was in trouble for his faith was to be neglected or forgotten by his fellow Christians.

Purity (Vs. 4)

The essential quality of purity was to be seen by the world that not even their critics and their enemies could find fault in them. Pliny said of the early Christians that, "they bound themselves by an oath, not for any criminal end, but to avoid theft or robbery or adultery never to break their word, or repudiate a deposit when called upon to refund it."

The marriage bond was to be respected. They were not to be ascetics nor adulterous. They were to live as Christians in the home as God designed with purity of a new ideal for their world.

Contentment (Vs. 5-6)

The Christians must not love money, for here is a seed that can grow into great destruction. The Christian must be content with what he has, and why should he not be, for he possesses the continual presence of God. Verse 6 is a quote from Psalm 118: 6 to show that man needs nothing more because he has with him always the presence and the help of God. Nothing can improve on that.

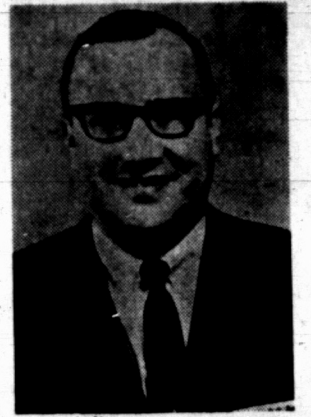
Our first concern is not to be for ourselves but for the cause of Christ, not only to keep and provide our needs but also to keep us from evil.

Commitment (Vs. 10-14)

Jesus was the consummation of all the ancient sacrifices of Israel. Jesus did this in order that he might sanctify the people. In order to do this, it was necessary for him to be despised and rejected and to suffer outside the gate. Our commitment calls for us to bear his reproach. So often the Christian who is committed finds himself outside the camp when he refuses to compromise. When a person is committed to Christ, he will be left out and made to feel that he does not belong. There is no virtue in just being different. We are to be different in that we bear the reproach of Christ because of our commitment. Commitment to Jesus will find fellowship and worship of Him necessary.

This relationship calls for love and expressions of love in worship. We must continually offer praise and thanks to God. The Christian must always offer to God a life that is never ashamed to show whose it is and whom it serves.

Robert L. Cargill tells the following story:
About 1870 there was a pretty girl by the name of Priscilla Livingstone Stewart. She was lovely to look at: blue



Rev. Jack W. Elliott

CALLED TO SOUTHSIDE, MERIDIAN

Rev. Jack W. Elliott, native of Cullman County, Alabama, has accepted a call to become pastor of Highland Church, Meridian. He succeeds Dr. Raymond A. Parker.

Dr. W. Lowrey Compere, president of Clarke College, has been serving as interim pastor.

Mr. Elliott is married to the former Florence Elizabeth Burks of Talladega County, Alabama, and they have a three-year-old daughter, Elizabeth Renee.

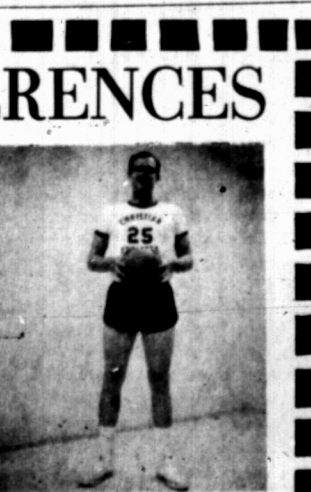
Mr. Elliott is moving from Brooks Memorial Church, Atmore, Alabama. He is a veteran of four years serving in the USAF and is a graduate of University of Alabama and New Orleans Seminary.

His other pastorates have been Brewer Memorial Church, Cecil, Alabama; Chapel Hill, Northport, Alabama; and Isabel Church, Washington Parish, Louisiana.

What was the big news in U. S. postal service 100 years ago? The invention of the first postage canceling machine. We've come a long way. Today, for instance, the Houston, Texas U. S. Post Office, in order to assure a smooth flow of packages on conveyor belts, uses a new closed-circuit television.

eyes, bright golden hair, and Irish gaiety. Popular beyond imagination, she had no time for religion. In fact, she heartily opposed it. Then she met Christ! And became an ardent disciple. The Salvation Army came to her section of the country soon after that, and enthusiastically she threw in her lot with them. A despised people at that time, they were often pelted with old boots, stones, bad tomatoes, and eggs. Describing these marches, Miss Stewart said: "None of my friends recognized me in the street, and all the young men who were fond of me walked on the other side."

Being a normal girl, this was painful. But God had other things in store for her. She later went as a missionary to China and became the wife of that extraordinary missionary, C. T. Studd.



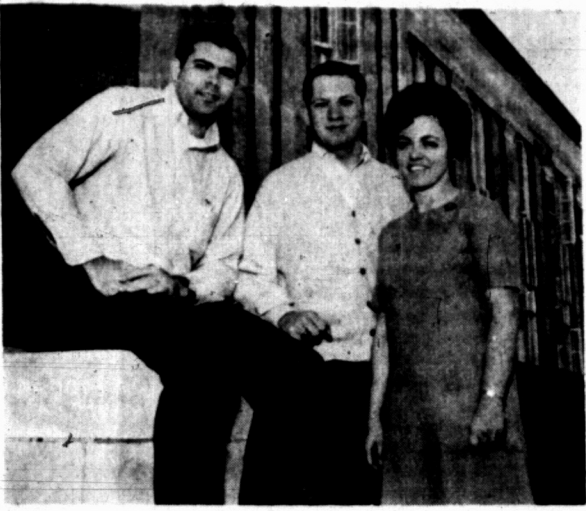
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Charles S. Lloyd, at left, a master of divinity student from Clinton, has been elected president of the Student Council at Southwestern Seminary for 1968-69. Don V. Mattingly, center was elected vice president and Linda M. Stary, right, secretary. Lloyd was born in Pensacola, Fla. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill Lloyd now live in Clinton, Miss. He received the B. A. degree from Mississippi College in 1966 and was president of the Fort Worth Hall Council last year. He has served several churches as pastor and youth director. Mattingly is from Texas and Miss Starr from North Carolina.

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DEVOTIONAL

Jared... A Man Today's Church Needs

By Henry L. Tillman, Evergreen, Shubuta
Gen. 5:15-20

The churches of today are successful in many areas. Church buildings are more beautiful, more spacious, and more comfortable than ever before. Church programs are better planned, better organized, and better promoted than ever before. Church budgets are larger, easier to raise, and more wisely used than ever before. Church literature is well written, attractively illustrated, and more adequately distributed than ever before. The church's leaders are better trained, very highly motivated, and of great ability.

In short, today's church stands in the spotlight, decked with flowers, surrounded by friends, and respected by all. But Alas! It is grasping for breath. The beauty and attractiveness is only superficial. It is becoming as cold and lifeless as a body awaiting burial.

What has happened? From outward appearances it looks so beautiful and has such a promising future. What is causing it to die in our lifetime? The simple, yet tragic, cause is that its lungs are collapsing. The church is not breathing properly. The Breath of Life is departing.

Today the church has everything: land, buildings, money, and men. But that which sustains existence the church is losing. The breath of life for the church is obtained through the exercise of prayer. In prayer the church breathes out the death-dealing carbon dioxide of sin and breathes in the life giving oxygen of the Holy Spirit.

Meet with any church today and you will find much activity, but little or no prayer. And, it is a principle of existence that one must breathe in oxygen to activate his body. Prayer is the breath of the church. Unless the church begins to breathe normally, it will remain powerless. Oh, it may be beautiful, learned, wealthy, and respected. Nevertheless, it will be ineffective and lifeless.

Today God calls for men like Jared of old to breathe new life into His Church. Jared, whose name means "One prostrating himself in prayer," recognized early that the life of God's people depended upon proper breathing. Prayer, he learned, was the exercise that God had ordained to keep His people breathing spiritually.

Jared's name means, "One prostrating himself in prayer." Immediately we see his posture as he prayed. In humility, Jared fell on his face calling upon the Lord for the breath of spiritual power. Then, we observe his persistence in prayer. He continually prostrated himself before God as he sought the source of spiritual life, the Breath of God. Finally, we understand his purpose in prayer. Recognizing that God's work must be done in God's strength, Jared with purpose of soul sought and obtained the energizing oxygen from God, the Holy Breath of God for his life.

Will you dedicate some of your energy and time to prayer? Do you want your church to be alive, active, and radiant? Your church may die unless you help it breathe normally through the exercise of prayer. Let us all covenant to follow the example of Jared. If we do the church will breathe normally and work powerfully.



Byron Mathis Family

PASCAGOULA

CALVARY HONORS PASTOR ON 10TH ANNIVERSARY

On March 10, Calvary Church, Pascagoula, presented a Reed and Barton Winthrop Shield sterling silver service to Rev. and Mrs. Byron E. Mathis and their son, Buddy. The gift was in recognition of Mr. Mathis' tenth anniversary as pastor of the church.

A brochure was printed depicting the growth of the church for the past ten years. The cover carried a picture of the new sanctuary to be built this year.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was the featured speaker for the morning service. He said, "You have made an outstanding record in mission giving by coming from \$3600 per year to well over \$18,000 per year, five or six times as much as you gave ten years ago."

The educational annex, built in 1954 at a cost of \$50,000, was only one fourth paid for in 1958 and the \$37,500 debt at that time has been paid in full. Two lots have been purchased for future parking needs; \$13,000 worth of land has been purchased on Market Street, site of the church facilities, in addition to what was owned in 1958. A pastorium has been built. A house has been purchased for the

associate pastor, Rev. James Miller. Four acres of land has been purchased to be developed for recreational use.

A new educational building to provide for a 400 increase in Sunday school has been built and furnished, at a cost of approximately \$100,000.

Pinecrest Chapel is the local mission of Calvary Church. Other churches, once missions sponsored by Calvary, are Riverside Church and Ingalls Avenue Church. Also Calvary has contributed at least \$6,000 to the work at First Baptist Church, Devil's Lake, North Dakota.

The Calvary kindergarten, instituted in recent years, has grown to 125 enrollment.

A ten-year look at the church, comparing 1957 and 1967, follows: baptisms from 9 to 50; average Sunday school attendance from 249 to 447, with enrollment increasing from 399 to 880; Total membership from 462 to 1150; total receipts from \$30,115 to \$91,506. The budget for 1968 was \$28,000, and is \$96,000 for 1969.

Mrs. Mathis has led in organizing choirs and enlarging the music ministry from one choir to a fully graded choir program with around 200 enrolled. The music ministry is now shared by other musicians.

REVIVAL DATES

Woodville Heights, Jackson: two revivals were conducted at the same time (March 10-15.) A youth revival was held in the Fellowship Hall and the regular revival was in the sanctuary. There were 51 decisions, 23 for baptism, 10 by letter, and 18 rededications. Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, state evangelism secretary and Dan Hall, state music secretary, led the regular revival. The Youth Revival Team consisted of Steve Brown, preacher, Steve Cloud, singer, and Patricia Dunaway, pianist. Rev. L. Carl Savell is pastor.

Tynes, pastor, Heidelberg, evangelist; J. P. Walsh, minister of music, Liberty singer; Rev. John E. Watts, pastor.

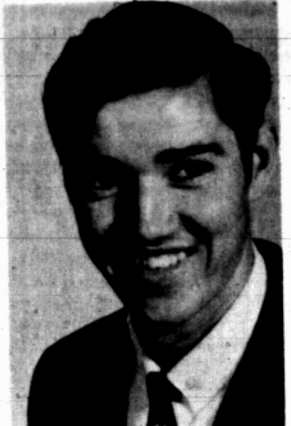
Carriage Hills (DeSoto): March 31-April 5; Rev. J. B. Miller, pastor; Rev. Johnnie Lee Taylor, pastor, First, Canton, evangelist; J. T. Hanaford, First, Moss Point, in charge of music; services at 7:30 p.m.

Briarwood Drive, Jackson: April 1-7; Rev. Peter McLeod, (pictured) associate pastor, Second, Ponce de Leon, Atlanta, Georgia evangelist; Jerry Talley, minister of music at Oak Forest, Jackson, singer; services at 7:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Louis Smith, pastor.

Mt. Zion Church (Rankin): March 31 - April 5; Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. with noon meal at the church; Monday through Friday services at 7 p.m.; Rev. John Espy of Mt. Pisgah Church, Rankin County, evangelist; E. C. Harpe, song leader; Rev. Johnnie Jones, pastor.

Forest Hill Church, Jackson: March 31 - April 7; 6:45 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.; Dr. J. Clark Hensley, evangelist; Billy Ray Simmons, music director; Rev. Wilbur Irwin, pastor.

Do not pray for easy lives; pray to be strong men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers; pray for powers that are equal to your tasks! Then the doing of your task will be no miracle, but you shall be a miracle, and every day you shall wonder at yourself, at the richness of life that has come to you through the goodness of God.—Phillips Brooks.



LELAND SMITH was recently licensed to preach by the Eastview Church, Meridian. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Smith of Causeville. A graduate of Southeast High School, he is a sophomore at Meridian Junior College, where he is president of the BSU. Rev. James Hoven is Eastview pastor.

Always be sure to send a gal 21 long-stemmed red roses on her 21st birthday—no matter what her nationality. Roses are perhaps the most loved flowers all over the world, and a "rose is a rose in any language." Italians, Spaniards and Russians say "Rosa" . . . or even "Rose." And the Russians love roses so much, they even drink them in Rose Tea!



HARRY WOODSON MCGUFFEE has been licensed to preach by the Oak Hill Church, Many, La. Formerly from McComb, Miss., he is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Harry McGuffee now of Many, La. Mr. McGuffee is in his second year at Northeast Louisiana State College at Monroe, La., where he is working with the BSU director, Rev. Jerry Johnson.

EVANGELISM CLINIC TO BE AT LIBERTY

Mississippi Association is sponsoring an Evangelism Clinic on April 1. The clinic will be held at Liberty Church, Liberty, with afternoon and evening sessions. It will include Bible study and inspirational messages for pastors and laymen.

Featured speaker will be Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, Evangelism Director for Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Bible teacher will be Rev. James Riley, pastor of Magnolia Church. Evangelism through the Sunday school will be emphasized by Earl Sandifer, educational director of First, McComb. Music will be under the direction of J. P. Walsh of Liberty. D. M. Dixon, Jr. and Troy Henderson will bring devotional messages.

The clinic will have two sessions: afternoon will begin at 2:30 and evening at 7:00.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the association will serve the evening meal at five o'clock for all guests of the association and the pastors and their families. John E. Watts is chairman of evangelism for Mississippi Association.



Dr. L. Gordon Sansing



Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Dean

Give Books To Music Library, N. O. Seminary

Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Dean of Canton, have donated their collection of hymnology and hymn books to the Martin Music Library at New Orleans Seminary. The editions include rare books such as "The Whole Book of Psalms" (Sternhold & Hopkins, 1735), "A Book of Psalmody, containing chanting tunes & 18 anthems" (1732), "Watts' 'Psalms of David' (1780), "Boston Academy Manual of Vocal Music" by Lowell Mason (1839). Also included are valuable research materials such as Julian's "Dictionary of Hymnology", Burrage's "Baptist Hymn Writers and Their Tunes", and "English Hymns" by Duffield.

Mr. Dean, a semi-retired attorney-at-law, has been an avid collector of books of religious and historic interest. He and Mrs. Dean were for many years active members of First Church, Canton. Mr. Dean was a deacon and Sunday school teacher and Mrs. Dean served as organist for twenty years.

Dr. William L. Hooper, Dean of the Music School, and Miss Betty Pope, music librarian, have expressed sincere appreciation for this valuable addition to the present holdings of the music library. The Martin Music Library (named in honor of Dr. Plunkett Martin, late Dean of the Music School) is relatively new and welcomes the addition of books of quality in the special areas of hymnology, music history, and music education.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Briar Hill (Rankin): youth revival; March 17-20; Buddy Wagner, junior at Mississippi College, evangelist; Miss Jacquelin Polk, Briar Hill music director, in charge of music; 5 professions of faith; 3 rededications; Rev. Winfred R. Lowery, pastor.

New Hope Church, (Lauderdale): Youth-Led revival on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, March 15 - 17; Youth Team from Clarke College, composed of Robin Nichols, preacher, David Walker, song leader, and Cathy Woods, four professions of faith; one by letter; twenty rededications. "The church was greatly blessed under the leadership of the Holy Spirit and the inspiration of the young people," states Dr. John E. Barrow, pastor.

Second Avenue Church, Laurel: February 25 - March 3; 19 professions of faith; six by letter; 75 rededications; Rev. Ed. Stalenecker of Memphis, Tennessee, evangelist; special music featuring the Stalenecker - Tyson Music Team consisting of Ed Stalenecker, song leader; Bette Stalenecker, contralto soloist; David and Carol Tyson, accompanists; Leonard B. Melvin, Jr., chairman of deacons; (no pastor.)



GOOD NEWS—Tanner Riley (left), minister of music at First Church, Clinton, will conduct the musical performance, "Good News," at Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Tuesday night, April 30, at 7:30 p.m., and at the Parkway Church in Jackson, (in connection with the Hinds Baptist Association Youth Night) on March 29. Participants looking over the music are (from left) Billy Jernberg of Sumner, Ronn Kimbro of Natchez, Margaret Caperton of Greenwood, and Beverly Welch of Bogalusa, La. The combined Baptist Student Union and "Hour of Power" choirs will be featured in the performance. (MC Photo)



TWENTY-three men from Alta Woods Church, Jackson, recently visited Rachel Sims Memorial Mission (top photo) and the Baptist Rescue Mission (bottom photo) and other mission points in New Orleans.

Alta Woods Men Visit Missions In New Orleans

Twenty-three men of the Alta Woods Church, Jackson saw first-hand some of the work of Southern Baptists through the Home Mission Board. The group traveled by church bus to New Orleans to

visit mission points there.

Plans for the trip were made in the fall by the planning committee of the Men's Unit of the Brotherhood. One of the goals for the year was to involve more men in the mission work of the church and denomination. It was felt that one of the best ways to get the men acquainted with the work of the Home Mission Board and the Annie Armstrong Offering was for them to see work carried on by the Board.

The men first stopped at New Orleans Seminary where they were met by a guide. The men drove past the Friendship House and through the French section to the Men's Rescue Mission. Here they toured the six-story building and were given information concerning the work and ministry. The tour continued to the Rachel Sims Memorial Mission and the Carver Center.

The men of Alta Woods recommend this mission educa-

BMC Observes Citizenship Week Mar. 18-22

Blue Mountain College observed Christian Citizenship Week, March 18-22, sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of the college, Martha Philpot of Camden, Ala., president, and Becky Greer of Charleston, Christian Citizenship Chairman.

Miss Greer introduced the following guest speakers who delivered special Noonday messages in Broach Student Center, projecting the theme, "AMERICANS—ONLY ONE LIFE TO LIVE".

Monday, March 18, Dean William N. Washburn, "A Christian Educator"; Tuesday, March 19, Honorable William Winter of Jackson, prominent attorney, former State Auditor, and a 1967 candidate for Governor of Mississippi, "A Christian politician"; Wednesday, March 20, Miss Ferial Forbus, instructor in speech and drama at the college, "A Christian Citizen" (A Flag Ceremony); Thursday, March 21, Dr. Henry Jack Kellum of New Albany, a Boy Scout Leader, "A Christian Layman"; and Friday, March 22, Mrs. R. C. McGlamery of Ripley, wife of a prominent physician and former missionary to South America, "A Christian Home-maker."

BIBBS RETURN TO THE STATE

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin D. Bibb and children, Ronnie and Cathy, have returned to their former pastorate at Linn Church, Doddsville.

Mr. Bibb is attending New Orleans Seminary, where he will graduate in May. He and his family have been living in LaCombe, La., where he was pastor of LaCombe Church for two years.

tional tour to other Baptist men's groups of the state.

Dr. Joe Cothen is the Alta Woods pastor. Thirty

Off The Record

"You say Bill is pretty cocky and sure of himself?"

"I'll say he is. He does crossword puzzles with a pen."

I sneezed a sneeze into the air. It fell to earth, I know not where. But hard and froze were the looks of those in whose vicinity I snoze.

"My husband," she said smoothly, "is a mong other things, a Moose, an Elk, a Lion, and a Rotarian."

"How amazing," said the new neighbor. "How much does it cost to see him?"

A man, chided by his employer for chronic tardiness, had an ingenious response: "Well, boss," he said, "you have drilled me so thoroughly about never watching the clock here at the office that I've lost the habit at home."

Captain: "Why do you have all the big men in the front rank and the small men in the rear?"

Lieutenant: "It's the sergeant's idea. He used to work in a fruit store."

—THIRTY



J. AL. SMITH, from Moss Point, a graduate of Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida, with a diploma in music, is now attending Mobile College, working toward a Master's in Music. While attending college, he is serving the Navco Church, Mobile, Ala., as minister of music.